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 Seventy-Five Million Campaign..... Bro. W. W. Kyzor
 Orphanage Prof. H. F. Patterson
 Obituaries Bro. J. I. Cooper

NEXT MEETING.

Time—Friday before Second Sunday in Sept. (Sept. 9, 10 and 11.)
 Place—East Columbia.
 Preacher—Rev. J. L. Watts.
 Alternate—Rev. V. C. Walker.

PROCEEDINGS**FIRST DAY—MORNING SESSION.**

Hurrican Creek Church, Sept. 9, 1920.

The Pearl River Batist Association convened in its One Hundredth and First Annual Session with Hurrican Creek Baptist Church, fifteen miles southwest of Columbia, Miss., Friday, September 9, 1920 at 10:30 a. m.

Devotional exercises were conducted by Rev. W. W. Kyzar, who read as a scripture lesson the Hundredth Psalm. He made an inspirational talk on the passage, showing how God had greatly blessed the people of Marion County during this association year.

The Moderator, Rev. T. D. Cox, appointed Bro. S. H. Pope temporary chairman.

The list of churches called and the following named delegates were enrolled:

Antioch—

Bunker Hill—I. N. Robins, Leon Robins, P. M. Blackwell, Clifton Hathorn, Rev. T. D. Cox.

Cedar Grove—Victor Fortenberry, J. A. McDaniel, Wyatt Fortenberry.
 Clear Creek—Wallace Davis, Miss Lettie Davis.
 Columbia—W. L. Simmons, W. Jacobs, Rev. I. L. Holcomb, Rev. W. W. Kyzar, Brethren Toxey Hall, Paul Lewis, Mesdames A. H. Ball, W. Jacobs, Toxey Hall, N. C. Norton; Misses Eva Fortenberry, Beulah Harris and Jennie Watts.

Edna—J. T. White, J. I. Cooper.
 East Columbia—J. N. Thornhill, F. L. Smith, Dolf Tolar.
 Holly Springs—J. T. Prescott, J. C. Mulford.
 Hurrican Creek—G. W. McKenzie, W. R. Fortenberry, W. Q. McKenzie.

Improve—Rev. R. E. Bell, Rev. J. L. Watts, Mrs. R. H. Pearson.
 Kokomo—W. O. Sharp, Herbert Davis.
 Morgantown—D. W. Dunnaway, Dr. John Prine.
 New Hope—Dan Turnage, Arthur Mullins, Warren McKenzie, Sr.
 Oloh—Sam Pace, M. L. Lott.
 Sandy Hook—Jas. Pigott, C. C. Fortenberry.
 Shiloh—Wes Hunt, Floyd Pittman, R. S. Turnage.

The Association then went into the election of officers which resulted as follows: Rev. T. D. Cox, Moderator; Miss Jennie Watts, Clerk; Rev. R. E. Bell, Treasurer.

Rev. T. L. Holcomb preached the Associational sermon, the subject was: "The Church that will succeed in the present day."

Prayer by Rev. N. R. Drummond.

The following finance committee was appointed: O. G. May, Leon Robins and Jas. Pigott.

The congregation adjourned for the noon hour with prayer by Rev. J. L. Watts.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

After a song service Mrs. A. H. Ball led in prayer.

The first hour was given over to the Woman's Work. Mrs. A. H. Ball, Superintendent of Woman's Work of the Association, had charge.

Report on Woman's Work by Miss Lillian Willoughby.

In the summer of 1917 when the allies were striving for world democracy against Prussian imperialism, everybody came to understand what an ally really was.

Nineteen centuries before this the Great Ally said to his allies: "Go ye into all the world." I the spirit of Christ, the embodiment of true democracy. They went forth and on all sides volunteers joined them so that churches were formed with a great missionary ideal.

In 1872 the Southern Baptist women heard the cry for some organization to support Bible women in South China; in 1888 thirty-two women delegates met at Richmond, Va., organized the first Woman's Missionary Union.

Viewed from the leveling distance of a century, the spirit of comradeship and mutual independence will be found.

The individual with her missionary conscience, lets it direct her words, acts, her prayers, her gifts. Soon another became interested in the same kind of work, the result is a Missionary Society. Eighteen Southern states today make possible the Woman's Missionary Union. Through all these years growth has run the golden life of our young people. Jesus taught the value of training the young people for Missionary service when He said: "Suffer little children to come unto me," and in coming, be with the Christ of missions; when he said: "Wist ye not that I must be about my Father's

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The women found the missionary conscience in the little children and organized them into Sunbeam bands. The Intermediate girls and boys into Girls' Auxiliaries and Royal Ambassador Chapters. The young women into Young Women's Auxiliaries.

"He that hath my commandments and keepeth them, he it is that loveth me." The Woman's Missionary Union is a definite place for showing love through obedience. "Like mother, like daughter."

In 1917 there were 1838 Young Women's Auxiliaries, leaving 6,000 mother societies without any Young Women's Auxiliaries.

Since systematic and apportionate giving is a fundamental Christian principle, emphasis should be laid upon tithing and stewardship. November is known as "Stewardship Month." "The tithe is the Lord's; it is holy unto the Lord."

Paul said: "See that ye abound in this grace also." The result of thus honoring God has enriched both the giver and the kingdom. Since our giving in the seventy million campaign, we wonder where we can give.

Our personal service looms large before us, in these ways we can give boxes to our pastor's families, our hospitals, our aged minister's family, our ministerial students' families. For home field service we send boxes to the frontier missionaries and the training schools. Foreign field we prepare in a large way bandages and other hospital needs.

The report one year ago stated that 132 of our women held certificates for mission study. Today there are 798 holding certificates with seals ranging all the way from one to twelve. Because of the individual and united prayer of our Mississippi women, there are 38 young women in our training schools preparing to do special work in the Master's Kingdom. Because women prayed 400 young people responded on the day for "Calling out the Called."

Our responsibilities are deep, our path of service is broad, the call of workers is loud, the strength of our Lord is made perfect in weakness. Let us then in this day of His power consecrate ourselves to His service, continue to fill our baskets with the precious lives around us, broaden the path ahead of us, then we will have no regrets when the clouds are lifted and we meet our Savior face to face.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. LILLIAN WILLOUGHBY.

Mrs. R. L. Bunyard, district leader for the Woman's Work, was present and spoke to the report. In a very splendid way, she gave the standard of excellence for W. M. U. work, then a summary of the work that is being done in this line in this, the 6th district. The report was adopted.

The following churches reported Woman Missionary Societies: Columbia, Improve, Bunker Hill, Kokomo, New Hope, Sandy Hook.

Officers for Woman's Work were elected as follows:

Superintendent—Mrs. A. H. Ball, Columbia.

Secretary-Treasurer—Mrs. Toxey Hall, Columbia.

Young Peoples Leader—Miss Estha Sinclair, Foxworth.

Mission Study—Miss Ella Wheat, Kokomo.

Personal Service—Mrs. W. Jacobs, Columbia.

On motion the Executive Committee was asked to name the four group leaders at their first meeting.

Song—"Jesus Shall Reign." (The adopted song of the W. M. U. of the South.)

The women of Hurrican Creek church were then organized into a Woman's Missionary Society.

With Rev. N. R. Drummond in the chair, Rev. T. D. Cox read report on Home Missions. The report was spoken to by Brethren T. D. Cox, N. R. Drummond and W. Jacobs. The report was adopted.

HOME MISSION REPORT.

The foundations of America are fundamentally religious, and the only spirit which may be trusted adequately to safeguard them is that of Christian patriotism.

Following the World War and in the midst of reconstruction problems, thousands of our people have made a new dedication of themselves to this Christian Americanism, and in no section more than in the South, where the largest proportion of native Americans reside. They propose to safeguard American liberties by safeguarding that faith which alone made those liberties possible, and to keep lighted in America a beacon of liberty which shall shine out across the seas to cheer and bless peoples who grope in darkness.

But many of those peoples are turned again to our shores. During the year ending June 30, 800,000 immigrants came to our country. There is now a daily average of 5,000 landing at Ellis Island. There is every reason to believe that this number will constantly increase. These are impregnating the minds of our people with Bolshevism, anarchy and other poisonous ideas, which must be met with the Gospel of Christ.

Christian Americanism is the work of Home Missions, which by bringing men to Christ, creates that righteousness that exalteth a nation. Our Baptist Home Mission Board is the outstanding agency of Southern Baptists for making America Christian. It has a great record of successful service, but is now entering on a time of even larger opportunity and need.

In 1919 the missionaries of our Board baptized one convert for every three received into our churches. Regularly they baptize from twenty to twenty-five per cent as many converts as the entire number who enter our churches. For fifteen years its evangelists have averaged 450 baptisms per year per worker, a record far out-stripping that of any other similar agency. Its system of Mountain schools is larger than any other and is the acknowledged standard in adaptability. Its Enlistment work is rapidly bringing a more adequate standard of spiritual instruction and effectiveness in hundreds of churches. Its Church Extension work has grown from infancy to lusty strength in a period of only a few years.

Recently the Board has also far surpassed its own fine record. Within the last seven years of its history of seventy-five years its missionaries have baptized 94.5 per cent as many converts as were baptized in the first sixty-eight years.

In soul-winning and nation-serving; in teaching the truth of Christ and conserving it; in building Christians up and maturing for the State the type of character that makes our republic great, and in the end, must save it from disintegration, our Board has been wonderfully used for God.

Every loyal Baptist will rejoice in the admirable efforts of our Board to meet the crucial needs of these days by enlarging its work. At its annual meeting in Atlanta in June, after long and painstaking efforts to

reduce the appropriations as far as possible, the brethren of the Board found that \$2,875,000 was necessary for the work of the present year. Even with this appropriation, it had to decline many worthy appeals to enter wide open doors.

We commend our Board for its faith and vision in grappling the stupendous tasks that now confront us and in believing that our people will respond to such leadership. We recommend that constant prayers be made for the Board, for its missionaries and for its work, and that we give it large and sustained support through our gifts to the 75 Million Campaign.

We commend to our people the admirable Mission Study Books of the Board, through which a true view is presented of the large problems we confront, and recommend that pastors, superintendents, Mission Society leaders and others write often for the large and splendid assortment of free tracts about its work and the needs, which our Board gladly furnishes on request.

The executive officer of the Board is Dr. B. D. Gray, Corresponding Secretary, Healey Building, Atlanta, Ga. For tracts, books, information, etc., address Publicity Department, Baptist Home Mission Board, Healey Building, Atlanta, Ga.

Respectfully submitted,
T. D. COX.

Motion was carried that report be made on \$75,000,000, Prof. W. Jacobs, as chairman.

Committee on Digest of Letters was appointed consisting of Rev. W. W. Kyzar and Rev. T. L. Holcomb.

The Entertainment Committee announced the assignment of homes for the delegates and messengers.

The Association then adjourned to meet at 9:30 o'clock Saturday a. m.

SECOND DAY—MORNING SESSION.

The Association was called to order by Moderator at 9:30 a. m.

Song—"What a Friend We Have in Jesus."

Report on Seventy-Five Million Campaign read by Prof. W. Jacobs.

REPORT ON THE 75 MILLION CAMPAIGN.

The 75 million campaign launched by Southern Baptists at the Convention in Atlanta, and by far the most comprehensive and massive undertaking projected by any religious body in modern times, has been carried successfully through its initial stages. The program as outlined called for a five year budget of \$75,000,000 to be underwritten in cash and pledges the first week in December. This was largely oversubscribed during Victory week. The total subscriptions, cash and credits as reported by the Campaign Commission to the Southern Baptist Convention in Washington amounted to \$92,630,923.

In this campaign the denomination budgeted its work and for the first time in its history went before the churches with a well-thought out program of needs. Careful surveys had been made of all the interests fostered by Southern Baptists and after much thought and prayer the amount to be raised was apportioned among the various objects participating.

These objects with the amounts they were to receive out of the 75 Million Campaign are as follows:

Foreign Missions	\$20,000,000
Home Missions	12,000,000
State Missions	11,000,000

Christian Education	20,000,000
Hospitals	4,875,000
Orphanages	4,586,000
Ministerial Relief	2,500,00

Mississippi was apportioned \$3,500,000 of the \$75,000,000 to be raised. This amount was subscribed the first day of Victory week and before the close of the week the subscriptions had amounted to \$4,209,585. We paid during the first year of the campaign \$862,196, being one of only two states which paid more than one-fifth of their pledge the first year.

The amount raised in Mississippi for the 75 Million Campaign is to be distributed on the following percentage basis:

Foreign Missions	25 per cent
Home Missions	16 per cent
State Missions	19 per cent
Christian Education	24 per cent
Hospitals	5 3-10 per cent
Orphanages	3 per cent
Ministerial Relief	1 4-10 per cent
Southwide Objects	4 per cent
General Objects	1 8-10 per cent

We call special attention to the importance of completing the task begun. We have affirmed that we would put into the treasury of the Lord for denominational purposes over \$800,000 a year. We must keep our promise. We have underwritten in faith, we must redeem in cash.

We make the following recommendations:

1. That every church keep an accurate account with every subscriber to this fund, carrying forward from year to year the total amount pledged and the total amount paid on the pledge.
2. To do this we suggest that a separate treasurer be elected for this fund and that he be instructed to secure each year a record book for keeping the accounts with the members. Also that special envelopes be secured and given to the members if desired.
3. That all remittances for amounts to be included in this fund be sent to Dr. J. B. Lawrence, Corresponding Secretary of the State Convention Board, Jackson, Miss., so that the church can get credit on the books kept at the Jackson headquarters office.
4. That church treasurers send out statements to subscribers showing the amount of subscription, amount of payments and amount due if any regularly, at least each quarter.
5. That all new members coming into the churches be asked to make a pledge to this fund, and all persons who have not made a pledge be solicited for a cash contribution each quarter, and that they be urged to give an average of as much as other members of the church are giving.
6. That church treasurers send in to Dr. J. B. Lawrence, Corresponding Secretary, all amounts for this fund in hand each month so that it can go on to the objects participating, thereby saving interest to the denomination.

Respectfully submitted by the committee,

W. JACOBS, Chairman.

Report on State Missions read by W. L. Simmons. This report was written by Bro. A. W. Quin, but owing to his ill health he could not be present, being in a sanatorium in Col. The splendid work that Bro. Quin

has done in the Association and what his life has meant to the Baptist work in the county, was remarked on.

A prayer for his recovery was made, lead by Rev. N. R. Drummond.

STATE MISSIONS.

In the plan for spreading the Gospel Mississippi may be likened to Judea. And the gospel was to be preached first in Judea and then in the uttermost parts of the earth. The far-flung mission line has its sources of power back in the home field. The home base, therefore, must be strengthened. State Missions is the elementary step and love of our home land, encompassed by the greater love, should prompt us to redeem the state for Christ.

State Missions touches the weak churches and reaches into the desolate places with the plan of salvation. It assists in building a church and providing pastoral help where there is promise of growth and self-maintenance, furnishes workers and keeps the organizations a-going. Churches in our own association have grown with this help and the increase has been manyfold as the Mission seed always falls on good soil. A new feature, made possible by the recent campaign, is the Associational Workers. Who can estimate the good done in our county by Rev. W. W. Kyzar? We would not dare match all the money given by the Association during its 101 years existence against the scores of souls saved this summer under his ministry and their influence in countless years to come.

War and unrest has opened the heart of the world to new and better impressions and the opportunity is rife for greater things in the name of the Master. The enterprising wedge for Southern Baptists has been the 75 Million Campaign, for which we are humbly grateful. While the campaign will result in the disbursement of 11 millions for Southern State Missions, we have only touched the rim, it seems, of our resources and the needs of the field. When the State Board met the first of the year to apportion its funds it found not half of the urgent requests could be filled. The laymen must fill in the breach and give of their time, for are we not taught that service is greater than money? The congregations need to be given more missionary themes and monthly collections stressed. The pastor who succeeds in getting his people to study more Gospel and doctrines and to do more praying, is prompting missions. To be effectual is to make a good fight for the homeland and have faith, which is the victory that overcometh the world.

It is recommended that the committees who served during the 75 million campaign continue active in their respective churches, and that the Association appoint a special committee to serve under the Moderator and Associational Worker (Rev. W. W. Kyzar), to visit each church immediately and co-operate in bringing the campaign to fruition, in enlisting members and in creating needed organization, and also to study the local needs with the view of reporting to the Associational Officers cases where outside assistance is essential.

Respectfully submitted,

A. W. QUIN.

A suggested report on Foreign Missions from the State Mission Board was read by Rev. N. R. Drummond. These three reports were spoken to by Brethren Kyzar, Jacobs and Drummond.

Rev. T. L. Holcomb lead a round table discussion on the \$75,000,000 campaign.

Information on State Missions was read by Rev. N. R. Drummond,

who lead discussion. Remarks were made by Brethren R. E. Bell and Bob Pope. All these reports were adopted.

Bro. D. W. Dunnaway stated the condition of Morgantown church and asked the co-operation of the Association in helping build a house of worship. This matter was referred to a committee composed of the Moderator and Rev. W. W. Kyzar.

The following committees were appointed:

On Nominations—Rev. W. W. Kyzar, Victor Fortenberry, S. H. Pope, Martin Lott, Taylor Pittman.

Obituaries—F. L. Smith.

The Association adjourned for dinner, being dismissed with prayer by Rev. C. V. Walker.

SECOND DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

Song—"Rescue the Perishing."

Prayer led by Rev. H. L. Harper.

Report on Pastoral Support was read by O. G. May and spoken to. Report was adopted.

PASTORAL SUPPORT.

The word support conveys to us the idea of finance or financial help, but in the support of our pastor there is much more to be considered than money. Do we support our pastor with our presence at church as we should? Do we support him with our prayers and hold up his hands in all good work? When our pastor is all down and his very soul in agony because of some erring brother, do we support and help bear his burden? We expect our pastors to lead in everything uplifting and elevating, and do we support him in those things?

Your committee believes that the churches are supporting their pastors better financially than they have done in the past, but there is still room for improvement along that line. We should never let him have to buy any of the necessities of life to be charged, but should pay him promptly every month that he might save his good name.

Respectfully submitted,

O. G. MAY.

The report on Christian Education by Rev. L. H. Harper. Discussion of report by Rev. Harper. The report was adopted.

REPORT ON CHRISTIAN EDUCATION.

Education has a larger place than ever in the life of the world. Men have come to realize that education fits a person to occupy a larger place of usefulness while it also develops character. The State is engaged in the business of general education through the public school system, normal schools and state universities. A tax is levied upon its citizens to support these schools. No one complains at such taxes. The state seeks to produce the kind of education that will enable its citizens to fulfill the duties of civil citizenship. Whether one has had the privilege of going to school, every person—the exception is rare—now believe in schools.

The Christian school goes a step further than the state school and plans to have its graduates fitted not only to perform the same duties of a good citizen but also to perform such duties as a Christian. It is a good school plus the Christian outlook upon life.

Southern Baptists are beginning to realize in a large way their need to have their sons and daughters educated in schools under Baptist control and

true to the Baptist idea of life and religion. The schools of one generation make the type of thought and citizens of the next generation.

Christian education begins with the fact that men are in need of regeneration as the first step in the process of making true character. Then there should follow such education as will enable the student not only to make a living but to make a life. Our Baptist schools are planned to carry out such a conception of education. They are intended to produce Baptist leaders who will not only occupy honorable places in the world but will be loyal members of Baptist churches.

Southern Baptists have created an Education Board, located at Birmingham, Ala., with Dr. W. C. James, Corresponding Secretary. The 75 Million Campaign designated about 20 million dollars for the schools in the different states and for southwide schools. The Education Board will help in every possible way to develop our schools and to get our people to have the right idea of Christian education.

Each state will give for its own schools according to its own plans and in such amounts as it thinks best. Reports from various states show that already plans for improvements call for more than a million dollars. The coming session will have the record attendance for students. A greater day has dawned.

We call upon parents to give careful attention to the selection of the right school for their boys and girls. Pastors have an unusual opportunity in influencing their young people in the interest of Christian education.

Mississippi has the following schools which will profit by the 75 million campaign: Mississippi College, Clinton, President J. W. Provine, \$250,000.00; Blue Mountain College, Blue Mountain, Pres. W. T. Lowrey, \$25,000; Mississippi Woman's College, Hattiesburg, Pres. J. L. Johnson, \$250,000; Clarke Memorial College, Newton, Pres. T. A. J. Beasley, \$125,000. Reports show that all these will be crowded the coming session.

I want to urge the placing of religious papers and magazines in the homes. We should stress especially the subscribing for our denominational paper "Baptist Record." Next the placing or stressing among our people the importance of electing of Christian men and women as teachers in our public schools. The looking after young men and young women who would give their lives to Christian work and who are not able to attend schools.

Respectfully submitted,
L. H. HARPER.

Rev. T. L. Holcomb made a statement to the Association in regard to Miss Letha Lowe, to this effect: Miss Lowe, a fine Christian woman from Holly Springs church, desires to go to the Baptist Bible Institute in New Orleans, not having the means to pay her expenses, her pastor, Rev. J. A. Lenton, who couldn't be present, asked Bro. Holcomb to lay this matter before the Association, asking the other churches to co-operate with Holly Springs church in sending Miss Lowe to the Bible Institute. It was stated that her home church had already agreed to help her. This was referred to a committee composed of the Moderator, Rev. W. W. Kyzar and Miss Jennie Watts. This committee was asked to confer with Miss Lowe, and should she still feel impressed to go to school that they take it up with the various churches.

S. H. Dale, former clerk of the Association, who failed to get out minutes of the Association for last year, made this statement as to the reasons for not printing them:

First, that the reports were never turned over to him, and second,

that the money in the treasury was not sufficient to print them. He also stated that he would refund the money that had been paid him for printing minutes.

On motion Mr. Dale's statement was accepted by the Association and he was allowed \$10 for his services as clerk and requested to turn the balance \$57 over to the treasurer.

On motion the clerk was asked to submit the minutes to the Executive Committee before printing.

In the absence of Rev. R. P. McDowell his report on Ministerial Education was read by Rev. N. R. Drummond. The report was adopted.

MINISTERIAL EDUCATION.

The past session, ending May 31, 1920, was a good one at both Mississippi and Clarke Colleges. Seventy-seven ministerial students were enrolled at Mississippi College and thirty-seven at Clarke, making one hundred and fourteen in all.

Financial.

We began last year's work with an indebtedness of \$2,253.45, but soon after school opened we were able to pay \$800.00 on it, thus reducing it to \$1,453.45. But after all of the applications were received and the students began to receive their monthly allowances we were, because of the slowness with which the funds of the 75 million campaign came in, compelled to borrow \$1,046.55. The entire indebtedness against our board now is \$2,500.00, all of which, if we receive the ten thousand dollars from the 75 million campaign, which the state granted us, will be paid by the time the convention meets this fall. At the beginning of the year we had a balance of \$296.59 on hand; received \$6,334.12 from the Convention Board, \$46.54 from other sources, and borrowed \$1,046.55, making our receipted total \$7,723.80. We paid to the 35 students in Mississippi College \$2,979.90, or an average of \$85.14 to each man. The 25 students at Clarke College received \$1,834.40, or \$73.37 per man. We paid \$169.95 for insurance, \$675.09 for repairs and improvements, \$182.90 for rent, \$80.15 for water, \$199.97 for incidentals, \$96.60 for interest and have on hand, subject to check \$704.84, and paid \$800.00 on note.

Mr. Will Dockery, of Dockery, Miss., has promised to turn over to us, about January 1st, 1921, the sum of \$25,000 which we are to loan to worthy young ministers at 5 per cent, no student to receive more than \$250.00 any single year, and no year to use more than one-fifth of the total amount.

The Outlook.

President Provine and Dr. Beasley say that from the present indications they will have more ministerial students this fall than ever before, and that a large percentage of them have families. The housing question at both places has become a perplexing problem. More than a week ago Prof. Carter of Newton said they had been compelled to turn away at least a dozen families for the reason that they have nowhere for them to live. All the houses at Clinton are full. But that great and resourceful man, Dr. Provine, somehow or some way finds a place for ministers with families to live. Dr. Zeno Wall says: "We are going to be compelled to either build some more houses or buy some already built or say NO to a number of men who say God has called them to preach. And if we build, where is the money to come from? Then he adds: We must either stop calling out the called, or write a larger budget for them, which shall it be? The brethren must answer.

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Licensed ministers this Associational year:

Bro. Wade Smith, Columbia church.

Bro. R. P. McDowell, Improve church.

Bro. John Watts, Improve church.

Report of Publications was read and adopted.

REPORT ON PUBLICATIONS.

Information is the basis of all interest, inspiration and successful effort in any chosen work, Nehemiah sought information concerning the Jews that were left of the captivity in Jerusalem.

The knowledge thus obtained of the deplorable condition of his people so affected him that his soul found no rest until he brought them relief, so it is in regard to our mission and benevolent work. A knowledge of the world of sin and want all around us must drive the true Christian to his knees and make him willing to be a part in the great work of world redemption.

With the many channels that we have through which information can be had, on our distinctive belief and work; ignorance as a rule is inexcusable. Our S. S. Board and our Baptist Record deserves and has great credit for the high class of work they are doing, with all other true Baptist publication.

If they can get the co-operation they so highly deserve with a renewed study of the word, coupled with fervent prayer, with the King's business that demand haste, and many fads and idisms among us and our neighbors will be a thing of the past.

So we would recommend that there be no relaxation in the effort that is now being made, to disseminate the whole truth that the world so much needs, but that we redouble our efforts and persistently continue until "the knowledge of the Lord shall cover the earth as the waters cover the sea," as we feel sure that if the world gets the whole truth it must come through us, therefore publicity through the press since it has become such a mighty factor in imparting knowledge and moulding sentiment must side by side with our preaching and teaching, regardless of the number of trained and efficient teachers

(Signed) J. A. BILBO.

Report of Church Discipline was read by Rev. R. E. Bell. The report was adopted.

REPORT ON CHURCH DISCIPLINE.

Be it resolved, that the church, being an institution established by Jesus Christ for the spread of the Gospel, that we keep it as clean as possible, that it may not be hindered in its work. We realize that it cannot do its work to the best advantage if hindered by an ungodly membership, and as we have plenty of instruction in the New Testament as to how we should deal with such, that we endeavor to follow its instructions.

Respectfully submitted, R. E. BELL.

A report from finance committee was read and also treasurer's report. Both reports were adopted.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Received for Associational purposes	\$45.80
Received for Home Missions.....	5.86
Received for Foreign Missions.....	5.86
Received for Orphanage.....	5.88
Received from J. I. Cooper, ex-treasurer.....	15.00

\$78.40

Total Respectfully submitted, R. E. BELL, Treasurer.

FINANCIAL COMMITTEE REPORT.

We your committee have examined the treasurer's report and find it correct.

Sept. 11, 1920.

O. G. MAY, Chairman Com.

Report on Mississippi Baptist Hospital read and adopted.

REPORT ON MISSISSIPPI BAPTIST HOSPITAL.

The Mississippi Baptist Hospital at Jackson is filling a long felt want among our people. Through it we are carrying on a part of the work of our Savior. He "went about teaching, preaching, healing." He healed by a word or by touch. We heal through the skill of a physician and the tender ministrations of a nurse. There are no better physicians and surgeons than we have at Jackson. They are skilled and painstaking in their work. The unanimous verdict is that they cannot be surpassed in the South.

There are about 20 young ladies in training as student nurses. They are of the highest type young ladies. After three years of work and study in the hospital they go out as graduate nurses to bless suffering humanity.

Attention is given to the religious side of life both among the patients and employees. The superintendent moves freely through the hospital and where he feels it well he has prayer with the sick and always speaks a word of cheer and encouragement to the patients. He gives one evening a week to Bible study and prayer with the employees. The hospital is a religious institution as well as a place where the sick can be treated and nursed back to health.

This year has been a good year every way. From January to August 609 patients had come and gone from the hospital. Of this number 75 were charity. Only six of this large number died. The income from the patients during this time was a little the rise of \$21,000. This about met all the expenses including a little more than \$2,000 devoted to charity. The charity patients get the same treatment as the pay patients except that they occupy the wards.

The hospital authorities have bought the Sweb Taylor residence on the corner of the same lot on which the hospital stands for a nurses home. It cost \$13,500 and the adjacent lot \$1,500, making in all \$15,000. It furnishes a nice home for the nurses, and is a good real estate investment. An addition is also being made to the hospital which will double its capacity. If we will all meet our obligations this addition will be taken care of through the 75 Million Fund. We have an annual income of \$24,733.33 provided for in this fund.

This addition calls for new furniture and new equipment. We not only need an enlargement on the equipment we already have, but we need some equipment we have not had heretofore. We need an X-Ray outfit. One of our generous brethren has promised to give this machine when the addition is completed. This will add greatly to the work of the hospital.

Brother M. K. Thornton, who was pastor at Starkville so long, has been elected superintendent and is getting the work well in hand. He gave up the Main Street church, Hattiesburg, one of the largest and best churches in the state to take charge of this work. We feel sure he will make good as a superintendent of the hospital as he did as pastor. He was one of the best in the state.

In view of the warm place the hospital has in the hearts and lives of our people, we would recommend:

1. That we all meet our obligations to the 75 Million Fund so that our hospital may have its needed buildings and equipment and may continue to enlarge its usefulness.

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2. That we patronize our own hospital when we have to send our loved ones off for treatment.

3. That we remember to pray for the hospital and its employees that they may all have grace to meet their high responsibilities.

Submitted,

S. H. DALE.

The report on Prohibition not having been sent in, on motion this was referred to the executive committee.

PROHIBITION.

We, as Christian people, have lived to see the day of strict prohibition if our laws were properly enforced. We have lived to see our court terms cut short and court expenses reduced. No longer can men buy whiskey with money their family has helped to earn. Crime has been reduced to a large extent and we are rapidly realizing a more happy and contented people. But there is yet a nuisance in our midst in the form of the "wild cat still." This pernicious practice is being carried on right in our very midst, even in the shadow of some of our church houses. We as a law-abiding body, with the help of the right kind of officers can soon stamp out the illicit still.

W. Calvin Wells, Federal Prohibition Director, with headquarters at Jackson, makes the statement that federal agents are capturing stills at a rate of more than one per day. He also states that any information as to the location of stills in any community will be held in strict confidence and that he will have it destroyed at once.

Let us hope that the National Anti-Saloon League now in conference at Washington, D. C., will have the judges and other officers of our land to know that we expect them to do their full duty in this matter. With the help of Christian mothers at the polls we can confidently hope for better officers, officers who will leave nothing undone that we may enjoy prohibition in the true sense of the word.

With the help of God we can completely stop the manufacture of whiskey and make our country a land of happiness and prosperity.

Respectfully submitted,

F. S. HAMMOND.

Report on Obituaries was read by F. L. Smith and after one change was adopted.

REPORT ON OBITUARIES.

During the past year God has laid His hand on some of our members calling them to a higher, better home. We respect their memories and extend our sympathies to the bereaved ones. Deaths are as follows:

Antioch—Sister Lillie Pittman; Bro. Ira Duncan.

Edna—Bro. J. J. Askew; Bro. Searcy Cooper.

Columbia—Bro. A. D. Eaton, Sisters Susie Bauer and Ella Barnes.

Goss—Brethren W. B. Bourn, C. M. Daughdrill, Sister Rason Williamson.

Respectfully submitted,

F. L. SMITH.

Report on Baptist Orphanage was read by R. S. Lott and adopted.

REPORT ON THE BAPTIST ORPHANAGE.

For twenty years or more the Baptists of Mississippi have maintained and operated a home for helpless orphan children, believing this to be a Christian duty.

From the blessed results of the twenty years work, we are convinced

that the orphanage work is a work well pleasing unto Him who said "suffer little children to come unto Me and forbid them not for of such is the kingdom of Heaven."

More than a thousand children have been cared for and trained up into usefulness since the establishment of our home. Many have gone out into the world for themselves and are filling useful positions and are proving themselves good citizens and good home makers. We commend this work most heartily to the people of our churches and recommend that since the Orphanage is provided for in a financial way by the \$75,000,000 movement, that the people of our churches and Sunday schools in this Association shall see to it that boxes of clothing and barrels and bags of produce of all kinds, together with canned fruit, corn, peas and molasses be sent in in abundance.

I am informed by the Superintendent that they are shorter of clothing and canned goods of all kinds this year than they have been in many years and that they are buying molasses now for the first time in ten years.

Let us remember the orphan children liberally out of the things that the Lord has permitted to us. We learn that the health of the children has been good during the year, they have just passed through an epidemic of smallpox, but by intelligent care and good management, only about sixteen out of one hundred and sixty children had the smallpox, they are all well and sound, leaving not even the marks of the disease upon them.

Let each church in this association prepare and ship to Rev. J. R. Carter a box containing all the things that our orphan children will need that we can spare and in our daily devotion let us remember the children and the management.

Respectfully submitted,

R. S. LOTT.

Report on Nominations was read and adopted.

REPORT OF NOMINATING COMMITTEE.

We, your committee, recommend the following place for next session: East Columbia. Time for meeting—Friday before second Sunday in September, 1920, and to continue through Sunday.

Associational Sermon—Rev. J. L. Watts.

Alternate—Rev. V. C. Walker.

Foreign Missions—Bro. W. L. Simmons.

Home Missions—Bro. S. H. Pope.

State Missions—Bro. T. L. Holcomb.

Christian Education—Rev. Varnido.

Ministerial Education—Prof. E. I. Watts.

Pastoral Support—Prof. W. Jacobs.

Layman's Missionary Movement—Bro. Victor Fortenberry.

Publication—Bro. Alvin Lott.

Baptist Hospital—Dr. John Prine.

Woman's Work—Miss Ella Wheat.

Church Disciplin—Bro. Fleet Robertson.

Prohibition—Bro. O. G. May.

Seventy-five Million Campaign—Rev. W. W. Kyzar.

Orphanage—Prof. H. F. Patterson.

Obituaries—J. I. Cooper.

Respectfully submitted,

W. W. KYZAR, Chairman.

A motion was made by Rev. T. L. Holcomb that the name of Pearl River Association be changed to Marion County Association. After a dis-

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as the Marion County Association.

The Association voted to make Rev. T. L. Holcomb a member of the
State Convention Board.

The Association elected Rev. T. D. Cox a delegate to the Southern
Baptist Convention, his expenses to be paid by the Association.

Prof. W. Jacobs was elected messenger to the State Convention.

The Association confirmed the election of Rev. T. D. Cox as president
of the Marion County Sunday School Convention. This election was made
at the annual County Sunday School Convention held in May.

The finance committee read their report. The report was adopted.

The treasurer's reports was read and adopted.

The following resolutions were read and adopted:

Whereas, It has been reported that the minutes of Pearl River Asso-
ciation were not printed in 1919, largely because committee reports were
never turned in to clerk; and

Whereas, The failure to print the minutes of our Association is em-
barrassing and conducive to negligence in the Lord's business; and

Whereas, the discussion and adoption of reports that were never written
lead to this condition; therefore, be it

Resolved, That there shall be no more reports discussed and adopted
before the written report is read and turned over to the Associational
clerk.

A rising vote of thanks was tendered the Hurrican Chree church for
the splendid way in which they entertained the Association.

The Association adjourned to meet Sunday morning at 10 o'clock.

THIRD DAY.

On Sunday morning at 10 o'clock the Association assembled and had a
song service. Prayer was offered by Rev. W. W. Kyzar.

In the absence of the Moderator Rev. N. R. Drummond took charge
and called the Association to order. All business had been disposed of
except the reading of the Sunday School report. This report was called
for and read by Miss Jennie Watts. Miss Watts and Bro. Drummond spoke
to the report. The report was adopted.

REPORT ON S. S. WORK.

The supreme task of the Sunday school is to teach the word of God.
What other services seek to do in other ways this one seeks to do by teach-
ing. It is the church met, with others, to teach and study God's word in
the church school.

It goes without saying that all members of the churches should study
the word of God. They will never be too old or too well versed in the
scriptures to study the Bible any longer. The church school will be the
greatest help to such study. When the Bible is rightly taught the result
will be two fold; the lost will be brought to know the Savior and the saved
will be taught how to serve, which is the supreme task in the Christian
life. Eph. 2:10. For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus
unto good works, which God before ordained, that we should walk in them.

In reviewing the Sunday School work in Marion County for the past
year it is very gratifying to notice the increase in interest in most of the
schools. There is a Sunday school in practically every Baptist church in
the county. Some of these are graded and organized in a departmental
basis.

During this Associational year several Sunday schools have been or-

ganized. Special mention should be made of East Columbia. This school was organized in April. Now they have a live, growing school with an enrollment of more than a hundred. Have it graded as to departments with classes separated by curtains. They have made arrangements to get small chairs for the beginners and primary department.

The annual County Sunday School Convention was held at the Great Southern Camps the 5th Sunday in May with a large crew of people present representing most of the Sunday schools throughout the county. A splendid program was given. The district conventions were held on either side of Pearl River the other 5th Sundays throughout the year with good programs and splendid attendance.

The County Sunday School Normal was held in Columbia June 28-July 2. There were representatives from 14 of the 19 churches in this association with an enrollment of 80. As a result of this week's work 28 diplomas were granted and 36 seals, making a total of 64 diplomas and seals.

That this splendid work among the Sunday schools may continue to grow, we recommend that:

1. We continue with our county and district conventions and organization just as we have this year.

2. That we hold a County Sunday School Normal again and that we make special efforts to have every church in the Association represented.

3. That the pastors see to it that there is a Sunday school organized in their churches where there are no schools now. That at the next meeting of the Association we be able to report a live Sunday school in every church, meeting every Sunday.

4. Each church should arrange for annual training schools and then send their officers and teachers to the County Sunday School Normal held each year by our State Mission Board and Sunday School Board under the direction of the Sunday school secretary and send workers to the State Sunday School Conventions and Assemblies.

5. We should feel our responsibility to all the people in the community and undertake in a serious way to bring them into the school.

6. We should see to it that our schools are correctly reported in the letter to the Association, giving full enrollment, officers and statistics asked for in the letter form.

We want to urge the clerk of the Association to get a full report from every church, if they can possibly do so, before the minutes are printed. Then have a table printed in the minutes specially for Sunday school statistics, tabulating the statistics given in the Associational letters. By all means give name and address of Superintendent and Secretary.

Respectfully submitted,

JENNIE WATTS.

The remainder of the day was given over to preaching, Rev. W. W. Kyzar preached in the morning from the text: Where there is no vision the people perish. Prov. 29:8.

In the afternoon Rev. N. R. Drummond preached from Ex. 14-15: Speak Unto the Children of Israel that they go forward.

There being no further business to come before the Association. Rev. W. W. Kyzar pronounced the final benediction and the Association adjourned to meet with East Columbia church Friday before the Second Sunday in September.

N. W. DRUMMOND, Moderator Pro Tem.
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MEMBERSHIP TABLE

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237	256	1	1	16	32	1	3	1	2
281	232	2	2	1	1	2	2	2	2-4
85	85	1	1	1	8	8	2	3	3
908	1021	2	2	41	92	66	6	full	full
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72	63	3	2	7	1	2	3	5	2-4
228	247	3	3	5	22	5	1	3	1
47	50	2	2	2	3	3	3	3	3
79	105	3	3	2	25	8	4	4	4
210	205	3	3	16	6	20	13	4	4
76	109	20	20	6	20	13	4	4	4
23	79	12	12	12	12	44	2	2	2
194	243	5	5	44	44	10	2	2	2
69	82	1	1	1	4	9	2	2	2
46	53	2	2	8	8	1	4	4	4
248	242	1	1	7	14	6	2-4	2-4	2-4
113	105	24	24	8	8	6	2-4	2-4	2-4

PASTORS		CLERKS	
CHURCHES			
Bluff	A. J. Linton, Clinton	S. F. Pronton, White Bluff	
Hook	T. L. Holcomb, Columbia	W. B. Sells, Foxworth	
	V. C. Walker, Magnolia	C. O. Pitman, Tybertown	
	T. D. Cox, Columbia, R1	H. H. Forbes, Sandy Hook	
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Hope	V. C. Walker, Magnolia	C. D. Turnage, Cherow	
town	T. L. Holcomb, Columbia	R. F. Alexander, Columbia, R	
	J. R. Hitt, Clinton	A. W. Williamson, Kokomo	
	J. L. Watts, Columbia, R	J. I. Rayborn, Columbia	
an Creek	J. L. Watts, Columbia, R	W. R. Fortenberry, Sandy Hook	
Spring	A. J. Linton, Clinton	T. R. Beard, Foxworth	
	A. J. Linton, Clinton	F. D. Robertson, Goss	
	J. L. Watts, Columbia	J. E. Anderson, Hub	
bluff	T. L. Holcomb, Columbia	W. H. Powell, Baxterville	
Creek	J. L. Watts, Columbia	E. R. Applewhite, Columbia	
Grove	A. J. Linton, Clinton	C. L. Robins, Columbia	
Hill	A. D. Muse, Clinton	J. F. Spence, Foxworth	
	V. C. Walker, Magnolia		

MEMBERSHIP TABLE

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J. A. Holmes, Foxworth
T. S. Boyd, White Bluff
E. J. Pittman, Foxworth
Mrs. O. C. May, White Bluff
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STATISTICAL TABLE

CHES	Value of Church Property	Value of Pastor's Home	Pastor's Salary	Visiting Ministers	Building and Repairs	Incidentals	Denominational Objects						Sunday School Expense	Minute Fund	Other Objects	Total Contributions
							75 Million Budget	State Missions	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Christian Education	Orphanage				
Hill	\$ 1,200	\$ 1,000	\$ 125.00	\$ 57.00	\$ 200.00	\$	\$ 30.00	15.00					\$ 8.00	10.50		42
Grove	1,000	1,000	121.83	128.15	150.00		36.00						25.00	5.00		44
Treek	800		125.00	33.00	442.00									2.50		58
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Hook	650		85.00	50.00	25.00							12.25	25.00	7.00		28
	1,000		75.00	28.50					5.86	5.86		5.86				97
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SUNDAY SCHOOL TABLE

CHURCHES	SUPERINTENDENTS	SECRETARIES	Contributions				
			No. Baptized from S. S.	No. Church members in S. S.	No. Pupils enrolled	Officers and teachers	
Hill	J. F. Spence, Foxworth R.	Miss Etta Martin, Foxworth.	17	30	50	6	\$ 8.00
Grove	C. L. Robins, Columbia.	Miss Estella Bryant, Columbia, R1	9	72	107	7	25.00
Creek	Victor Fortenberry, Columbia.	Miss Etta McDaniel, Columbia.		24	40	5	
Columbia	W. E. Davis, Baxterville	Miss Vera Davis, Baxterville		301	375	42	543.12
	R. D. Brock, Columbia	R. R. Griffith, Columbia.		20	115	8	7.00
	F. L. Smith, Columbia	Miss Myrtis Singley, Columbia		77	50	5	
	J. I. Cooper, Edna	Ebbie Williams, Edna	12	20	120	7	
	Mrs. Tom Fortenberry, Goss	Mrs. Vesta Carmichael, Goss	2	26	46	4	
	C. F. Lowe, Morgantown	Miss Letha Lowe, Morgantown	10	30	46	6	7.00
Spring	R. S. Lott, Sandy Hook, R1	Mike Fortenberry, Sandy Hook		55	80	10	
an Creek	E. J. Watts, Columbia, Ra	R. E. Bell, Columbia, Ra	17		81	10	29.89
	Hoyle Davis, Tylertown, R3	Ella Lee Regan, Kokomo					
own	A. C. Mullins, Foxworth, R2	Miss Ruby Turnage, Cheraw	18		40	6	8.40
ope	S. S. Boyett, Sumrall, Ra	Alvin Lott, Sumrall, R	3	40	40	6	
Hook	J. W. Hart, Sandy Hook	Miss Roberta Forbes, Sandy Hook	8	20	75	9	16.83
	H. T. Pittman, Foxworth, R1	Miss Rosa Forbes, Tylertown, R3	3	15	60	4	
th	J. A. Holmes, Foxworth	E. J. Pittman, Foxworth			75	5	
Bluff	T. S. Boyd, White Bluff	Mrs. O. C. May, White Bluff				5	
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Treasurer.....Rev. J
Clerk.....Miss Jer

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8, 9, and 10, 1922.

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Moderator.....Rev. T. D. Cox, Columbia, Miss., R. 1.
Clerk.....Miss Jennie Watts, Columbia, Miss., R. 1.
Treasurer.....Rev. R. E. Bell, Columbia, Miss., R. 1.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

Rev. T. D. Cox, Chairman Miss Jennie Watts, Secretary
Rev. R. E. Bell.

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NEXT MEETING.

Time—Friday before Second Sunday in Sept., 8, 9, and 10 of Sept., 1922.
Place—Foxworth.
Preacher—Rev. W. N. Kyzor.
Alternate—Rev. Wade Smith.

PROCEEDINGS

FIRST DAY—MORNING SESSION.

East Columbia Church, Friday, Sept. 9, 1921.

The Marion County Baptist Association convened in its One Hundredth and Second Annual Session with East Columbia Baptist Church, three miles east of Columbia, Sept. 9, 1921, at 10:00 a. m.

The first fifteen minutes were devoted to devotional service by Rev. W. A. Murry, of Foxworth.

The Moderator, Rev. T. D. Cox, called the meeting to order. The first business taken up was a roll call of the Churches and a list of delegates listed which resulted as follows:

Antioch—R. H. Johnson, D. V. Smith, Albert Forbes, Miss Gussie Johnson and Miss Lela Johnson.

Bunker Hill—Baxter Holmes, W. M. Evans, Melvin Farmer, Ed. Taylor, Leon Robins, Mrs. T. D. Cox and Miss Norfleet Cox.

Cedar Grove—J. A. McDaniel, Wilman Pape.

Clear Creek—A. J. Ward, J. A. Davis, J. A. Bilbo.

Columbia—R. R. Griffith, W. L. Simmons, G. W. Magee, H. B. Mayfield, Rev. W. W. Kyzor, Mrs. F. M. Freeman, Rev. W. R. Cooper, Mrs. A. H. Ball, H. M. Hargrove, Mrs. A. B. Welch, O. George, Miss Beulah Harris.

Edna—J. I. Cooper, Mrs. J. I. Cooper, Tom White, Mrs. Tom White, Mrs. Mary Williams.

East Columbia—F. H. McDaniel, Wilman Lott, Albert Singley, R. F. Alexander, F. L. Smith.

Goss—C. D. Williamson, Mrs. C. D. Williamson, F. D. Robertson, and Mrs. F. D. Robertson.

Foxworth—Rev. W. A. Murray, W. B. Sills, M. L. Graham, Mrs. L. Thompson, Mrs. G. M. Parker, Mrs. W. B. Sills, Mrs. W. A. Murray.

Holly Springs—Chas. Lowe, Misses Letha Lowe, Ellen Lowe and Lucy Prescott.

Hurricane Creek—W. R. Fortenberry, Otho McKency.

Improve—M. McCartha, Rev. R. E. Bell, W. T. Morris, Mrs. W. T. Morris, D. T. Burt, W. Z. Morce, Rev. J. S. Watts.

Kokomo—Herbert Davis, Carl Sharp.

Morgantown—D. W. Dunhaway.

New Hope—E. J. Pittman, A. C. Mullins, L. W. McKenzy.

Olah—Alvin Lott, G. W. Lott, S. D. Pace.

Sandy Hook—M. E. Pigott, Miss Mattie Lee Sibley.

Shiloh—E. M. Pittman.

White Bluff—Mr. and Mrs. O. G. May, Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Ray, Miss Dixey May.

The Association then went into the election of officers, which resulted in the re-election of the same officers, namely: Moderator, Rev. T. D. Cox; Clerk, Miss Jennie Watts; Treasurer, Rev. E. R. Bell.

Song—"Come Thou Fount Of Every Blessing."

The Associational Sermon was preached by Rev. J. L. Watts. His text was, "Shal Your Brethren Go To War, and Shall Ye Sit Here?"

Visitors were recognized. Rev. L. E. Lightsey of Bay Springs Association, who represented The Baptist Record, was welcomed, also

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Miss Fannie Traylor, who came as a representative of the State W. M. U. Work.

A financial Committee was appointed, namely: J. A. Bilbo, R. H. Johnson, Alvin Lott.

The congregation adjourned for the noon hour with prayer by Prof. W. Jacobs.

FIRST DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

Song—"I Love to Tell the Story."

Prayer—By Rev. L. G. Varnido.

Charlie Butler, a famous evangelistic singer, lead a song service.

Mrs. A. H. Ball, Superintendent of Woman's Work, now took charge and this hour was given over to W. M. U. Work.

Devotion was lead by Miss Letha Lowe.

Roll call and report of Societies.

Seventeen of the eighteen churches were reported. Many of these reports were very encouraging, showing the splendid work that is being done.

Mrs. Ball spoke to these reports. She exhorted the men and women to go back to their churches and lend their held toward bringing up the Woman's work to the standard it should be.

Report on Woman's Work was read by Mrs. G. M. Parker.

WOMAN'S WORK.

Mrs. James in her 1921 address gives a very interesting and instructive picture of what the Woman's Work of the Southern Baptist Convention is like and what it means to our Baptist Women. She says "the W. M. U. is, as it were the head of a high commission intrusted with matters of supreme importance to the Kingdom of God in this World. Its business is to debate every problem that arrives, to talk about whatever is uppermost, and be ready to assist in every department." In the work of our great S. B. Convention the Union stands as a worthy hand-maiden to carry out their part in the work for the King of Kings. How splendidly has the W. M. U. of Miss. reported her Woman's Work for the past year. "The state meeting at Hattiesburg came in the midst of the Loyalty Campaign so made Loyalty its key-word. The attendance was fine from every section of the state, and the report gave a remarkable growth in young people's organizations, also much interest in Mission Study. More than a thousand new certificates were granted. The call for White Cross Work has met with encouraging response and the report from the Chairman is beautiful and uplifting. Several large boxes of hospital supplies have been sent to the Kthleen Mallory hospital in China. The Association rallies and six district meetings of the State W. M. U. have been far reaching in their influence. Our State has been represented by fourteen consecrated young women in the W. M. U. Training school. We also have several women that have gone as Missionaries to foreign fields from our state this year. The report that we bring of our local Associational Work of the W. M. U. is very gratifying. In 1920 we note that six churches reported societies. Since then Mrs. Ball with her helpers have visited the churches in every part of the county and organized and reorganized societies. In most of these we have one or more young people's organ-

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We hear of the healthy growth of the young people's work because they must fill our places as times goes on. At the pastor's and Worker's Council in Dec. one part of the program was given to the Woman's Work. Mrs. R. L. Bunyard was present and gave us a very interesting review of the work to be done in this district. At the Council meeting in March the W. M. S. had another rally. At this meeting we saw more interest manifested than at any previous meeting.

The reports showed that many of our women were realizing the good in Mission study work and more women were enlisted in study. One thing of special interest to every society has been the calling of one young woman to service from our country, Miss Letha Low of Holly Springs who spent last year at the Baptist Bible Institute. We take the liberty to suggest that so worthy a young woman needs our encouragement and support and let's see that she returns to the Institute this winter. We were so glad to have our State meeting so near us this year. Many of our societies were well represented at the meeting. Our district meeting was near us too at Monticello and we had a number of our women over there too. The Training School at Columbia July 18-20 was profitable. Two State Workers, Miss Slaughter and Miss Lndrum conducted this school. This was also a great help to our work.

MRS. G. M. PARKER.

On motion the report on Woman's Work was adopted.

LICENSED MINISTERS THIS ASSOCIATION YEAR.

Bro. O. W. Thompson, Bunker Hill; Bro. Hoyt Davis, Kokomo Church. Both of these brethren are in school in Mississippi College this session. The report was adopted.

Address by Miss Fannie Traylor, State Young People's Leader. Her subject was, "What Is Life?"

J. E. Byrd, representative of the State Convention Board, addressed the Association.

A committee on digest of letters was appointed consisting of W. L. Simmons.

The Entertainment Committee announced the assignment of homes for the delegates and other visitors.

The Association adjourned with prayer by Rev. W. A. Murray, to meet at 9:30 Saturday morning.

SECOND DAY—MORNING SESSION.

The Association was called to order by the Moderator, at 9:30.

Song—"Trust and Obey." Prayer by Rev. L. E. Lightsey.

The minutes of the preceding day was read and after a few changes was adopted.

Nominating Committee was appointed consisting of the following brethren: Rev. W. R. Cooper, M. McCartha, W. L. Simmons, W. T. Morris and Leon Robins.

Report on Ministerial Education was called for, in the absence of Prof. E. I. Watts, Rev. S. A. Wilkinson read the report.

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REPORT ON MINISTERIAL EDUCATION.

Your Committee on Ministerial Education beg leave to submit the following:

We live in an age of changes. New ideas, new machinery, new methods of operation, and new and improved methods in almost everything are the order of the present day. In other words, this is an age of progress in every line of thought. It is a time of larger vision and greater tasks for Southern Baptist. If we as a denomination keep apace in our religious and spiritual life, with the splendid progress being made in material things, we must enlarge our sphere of influence; and to do this we must prepare for the task.

Our preachers are our leaders in spiritual and denominational achievements, and are in a large measure the key to the situation. Our success as a denomination, in a great degree, lies with them. Paul says in his instructions to Timothy, the young preacher, "Study to show thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed; rightly dividing the word of truth."—2nd Timothy 2:15. If it was necessary two thousand years ago, and it was, to prepare for the ministry, how much more so is it necessary today?

The world is callig for capable, highly trained men in every phase of work. In every secular profession one must attain to a certain required standard before ever entering the profession; the business and industrial world is no less rigid in its requirements for holding responsible positions there in. Yet the preacher has the highest calling of them all, and his responsibilities are correspondingly greater, and the possibilities of his influence for good infinitely larger. How important, then, that our preachers should secure the very highest educational training that they can possibly get! Paul was brought up "at the feet of Gamaliel," the most renowned teacher of his day, and Moses was "learned in all the wisdom of the Egyptians."

We would therefore recommend that this association impress upon our young preachers the urgent necessity of thoroughly preparing themselves for the work God has called them to do; that we as members of this Association encourage them, pray for them and assist them with our means, as needed; that the pledges to the Seventy-Five Million Campaign be paid promptly as possible a certain percent of which goes to assist young preachers to obtain this much needed training; that the churches constituting this association make special offerings to aid in this work as opportunity affords.

Last year we had three young men from this association as Ministerial Students at Mississippi College, namely: Brethren Wade Smith, R. P. McDowell, and J. C. Watts, and this coming session, one more, Bro. Oscar Thompson. While the Baptist from our state had last year eighty-seven ministerial students in Miss. College; thirty-five in Clarke College; nineteen in the Seminary at Louisville; eleven in the Seminary at Ft. Worth, and sixteen in the Baptist Bible Institute at New Orleans, making a total of one hundred sixty-eight in training. It was necessary to give financial aid to seventy-four of these, while some had to be turned away for lack of financial aid.

We have prayed for more laborers in the Lord's Kingdom. God is answering our prayers by callings great numbers of our young men into the ministry, most of whom are uneducated and untrained, and we

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believe He is just as surely calling us to aid them, as needed, to obtain this preparation and training.

May God give us wisdom to know, and conviction to do his will in this matter.

Respectfully submitted,
E. I. WATTS, Committee.

This report was spoken to by Rev. S. A. Wilkinson, Rev. W. R. Cooper, Rev. W. A. Murray and Rev. L. E. Lightsey, Rev. W. W. Kyzor, Bro. Dunnaway, Bro. George.

Song—"Consecration. Take My Life and Let it Be."

Report on Christian Education was read by Rev. L. G. Varnido.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION.

This subject is of such vital importance, that time and space will not admit the setting forth in detail the facts necessary to impress the public, as we feel they should be; but we shall mention just a few of the most important.

First the Baptist Church is the custodian of the truth taught by Jesus Christ and his disciples. This being true the Baptist should be the educators of the world. To this end we are laboring. Nearly 40,000 students entered our Baptist institutions of learning last year, and almost one third as many were compelled to be turned away on account of a lack of facilities. However, the 75-Million Campaign has helped in a wonderful way to meet the strenuous need. In our own state, the receipts have been as follows: Mule Mountain College \$27,825.39; Mississippi College \$45,870.70; Mississippi Woman's College \$62,707.35; Clarke Memorial College \$18,933.46; the disbursements of this money has been for the cancellation of debts and improvements. But our attention to Christian Education should not be directed to the College alone, since we have thousands of young lives, which must be taught to begin right. Thus the Grammar, and High Schools feed or supply the material for the colleges, and precaution should be used in the selection of teachers that their lives may be started right.

And may it be said in conclusion, that every Baptist in the South should not only patronize these schools above mentioned, but should stand by them in the way of hearty support.

The report was spoken to by Brethren Varnido, Wilkinson and Kyzor. Miss Letha Lowe, who attended the Baptist Bible Institute last session as a representative of the association, told of the splendid work of this school. The Association voted to send Miss Lowe to the Bible Institute this session. Rev. W. W. Kyzor, W. L. Simmons and Miss Jennei Watts were appointed a Committee to apportion and notify the churches of their apportionment of this sum. The report was adopted.

The Association was dismissed for noon with prayer by Bro. S. A. Wilkinson.

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SECOND DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

Song—"In His Name."

Prayer—Rev. W. R. Cooper.

Report on Prohibition was read by O. G. May.

PROHIBITION

The word prohibition means to keep from or prohibit people from doing certain things. Prohibition means to the Christian people to prohibit the manufacture, sale and unlawful use of intoxicating liquors or drinks of any kind.

Through the influence of the Christians of America the first prohibition law was passed in 1851 by the State of Maine. Other states followed and the fight was carried on until today we have national prohibition (that is we have the law.)

The question comes do the prohibition laws stop the unlawful sale or use of intoxicating liquors? We believe not and why not, because we see on every hand evidences that intoxicating liquors are being used unlawfully. If the Christian people of America can through their influence have certain laws passed, why is it they cannot or do not have the laws enforced?

We believe that with the same zeal and energy that was put forth to have the laws passed could have the laws enforced.

Do we as Christians become cold and indifferent in the execution of the law? Do we see it that our officers try to enforce the law and are trying to help them in the enforcement of the prohibition laws. We believe with a united effort of the Christians of America the unlawful manufacture, sale and use of intoxicating liquors would soon be eliminated from this country.

Respectfully submitted,
O. G. MAY.

The report was spoken to by Brethren May, Cox, Robertson, Simmons, Cooper, Murray. Report was adopted.

The following reports were read: Foreign Missions, W. L. Simmons; Home Missions, S. H. Pope, State Missions, Rev. W. R. Cooper.

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

The work of our foreign mission board during the last convention year, May 1st, 1920 to May 1st, 1921, was by far the most fruitful year in the history of our foreign mission work. Seventy-two new missionaries were sent out; six thousand nine hundred ninety-eight were baptized and greater progress than ever before was made towards self-support by the native churches. Contributions by these churches amounted to \$295,438.00, an average of about \$5.00 per member. About one-third of the native churches are now self-supporting.

Our foreign mission board is now doing mission work in eighteen nations in the countries of Asia, South America, Europe and Africa. We have 457 missionaries under appointment, 611 churches with a total membership of 59,438. The work includes all phases of christian activ-

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ity such as is being carried on at home. Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues and preaching the gospel of the kingdom and healing every sickness and every disease among the people. Mat. 9:35. Following the example of our foreign mission board is sending out teachers, preachers and physicians. Christian schools are maintained, the gospel is preached and the lame and the halt and the blind are cared for in our Baptist hospitals. Surely God's blessings have been upon the work of our foreign mission board.

However, the work that has been done already only makes us realize the great need for such work and the large opportunities that lie out before us. The great development of our work in recent years creates heavy demands which should be met by us; first because of what it is doing for those who need the gospel and second, for what it is doing for us at home. We generally consider what we have done for foreign missions, but it is well for us to consider in the same connection, what foreign missions has done for Southern Baptist. If any one will merely look at the history of our denomination since we commenced to work for world-wide missions, he will see that there has been wonderful development; and we believe that this has been caused largely by the world-wide view which was taken. It has caused us to look after education here in the home land. We have been made to see the necessity for training for Christian service and have developed greater liberality in the grace of giving. In the performance of our duty, trying to save men on the other side of the world, we have found that the Saviour has been drawn closer to us.

The nations in which our board is doing work have a combined population of about 900,000,000 people of every race and tongue. "Each phase of the work abroad presents incomparable need; great numbers of unsaved without a preacher, ignorant without a teacher, sick without a doctor, poor without a friend, dying without a hope. Millions on the foreign field have never heard the gospel nor felt the warm influence of a Christian life." There is an imperative need for many more missionaries, for residences for missionaries, for church buildings, for schools and hospitals.

As fast as can be done with the resources at hand our board is planning these great needs. Already fifty-two new missionaries have been appointed this year. New fields are being opened and larger work is being planned on the older fields. According to the agreement reached by the London Conference of Baptist, our Southern Convention assumes responsibility for the work in Southern Europe. This work will be under the direction of Dr. Everett Hill, for fifteen years a missionary in Italy, but for the past two and a half years a pastor in Kansas City. Our work is being greatly enlarged in Palestine and Syria. Dr. W. A. Hamlett, formerly of the first Baptist church of Grenada, Miss., and recently of the first Baptist church of Austin, Texas, will have charge and is already on his way to this important field.

As we think of God's blessings on our work and of the great needs

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and opportunities that lie out before us, we should determine as never before to do our best to carry out our Lord's command to carry the gospel to the world.

Surely we ought to rejoice in a work which brings to us the blessings of larger vision, better education, fellowship, activity, liberality, spirituality, and which helps to save not only the uttermost parts of the earth, but us and our children from selfishness and sordidness. The prosecution of world wide missions brings the richest blessings, and of these none is greater than the abiding presence of our Lord.

Let us pray for God's blessings on the missionaries already on the field and for the great numbers who are now surrendering for service, and also that God will call many more of our fine young people to go out to the many fields already white unto harvest. Above all let us pay our campaign pledges and more if we can possibly do so that this glorious work may go forward to the honor and glory of the name of our Lord and Christ.

Respectfully submitted,

W. L. SIMMONS.

HOME MISSION BOARD REPORT.

The Home Mission Board is the only great inter-state Missionary organization of the Southern Baptist. Its work is largely cooperative in connection with various State Mission agencies. Through this agency Southern Baptists in the largest way made it possible for the strong to help the weak. The principal work of the Board is, therefore, in the weaker states of our territory.

The problem in the cities of the South is growing acute in many places like Birmingham, St. Louis, New Orleans and Memphis. The Home Mission Board is helping to solve the problem as fast as possible.

Evangelistic campaigns by the Evangelistic Department of the Home Mission Board are proving to be a mighty factor in the evangelization of the cities.

An opposite problem is presented in the changing conditions of country life, when we must go with greater forces of men and money. In the country lies the greatest number of Baptist and yet there is found our greatest weakness in point of efficiency.

Through the missionaries and enlistment forces much is being done to conserve our vast host of country Baptist and to enlist them in our denominational work.

The Board has just closed the most remarkable year of its history, both in amount of funds received and results accomplished.

At an annual meeting of the Board in June, 1920, the work was laid out on a basis of 100 per cent greater than that of any previous year. The calls are so numerous and compelling field so white unto the harvest. At that time our financial situation was at its highest. Since that time the slump has come, and heavy obligations as been assumed which could not be cast off. As this result there was a big debt at the close of the year.

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The Board is in great need of help to maintain its credit and to meet current expenses.

In the Evangelistic Department there were 15,567 Baptists, 22,689 additions to the churches. Since the organization of this Department in 1907 there has been baptized 124,103 converts, with a total of additions to the churches of 169,102 members; and 17,611 volunteers for the ministry and mission work.

Among the Foreigners, Indians, and Negroes there were 2,157 baptisms and 3,208 additions to the churches, and some work done in Cuba and Panama.

In cooperative missions we have 80 Enrollment Workers who render service in our sanatorium work. The above sets forth briefly some of the inspiring accomplishments of our Home Mission Board.

We recommend that earnest prayer be offered constantly for our great Home Mission work and that the churches immediately come to the help of the Board with contributions in order that the glorious work may be carried forward and the Board may soon be relieved from its burdensome debt.

Respectfully submitted,
S. H. POPE.

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS.

Missions was the purpose of God in the plan of the ages.

Missions is the life of Jesus Christ in expression.

It is His life and Missions repeating itself as it is carried out today in the ends of the earth.

It is His will being expressed every where.

It reveals His passion for the lost of the world.

It is the carrying out of His last command to us.

The source of Missions is in the heart of God. He sent His Son into the world to preach the gospel to every creature. He sent not His Son into the world to condemn the world but that the world through Him might be saved. God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son that whosoever believeth on Him should not perish but have everlasting life.

The Authority of Missions is in the risen Lord who said after the resurrection: All authority in heaven is given unto Me, go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature. As the Father hath sent me even so send I you.

The book of information on Missions is the Bible. It is packed from lid to lid.

The means of salvation is the gospel, Jesus Christ and Him crucified and risen from the dead and God's method is a man to carry it to the ends of the earth. It was not given to Angels nor to Serephems but to the man is known to God as His man.

State Missions is a most vital factor in Mississippi. Its work is like unto a great river, even the Mississippi which has a small beginning but before it pours its flood of wealth into the Gulf it receives the name of the "Father of waters." So State Missions had a small beginning but now it is a tremendous Kingdom factor. It pours its wealth in all the state. It has been wise in its plans and putting out money. And as we view it from this distance the ends more than justify

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the means. Weak churches and Mission points have suddenly grown like magic into large centers of influence and light houses on the kingdom highway.

We have six district missionaries and all are doing a splendid work and it will take eternity to reveal their true worth. Our own Kyzar is one of the most valuable assets we have and his work will stand the test of the coming ages.

In order that we may make a Baptist Empire of Mississippi, the counties must be made first for they make up the state, so we recommend first that the 75 Million campaign be paid in full that progress in all denominational lines continue, Colleges, Hospitals, Orphanages, Education, Seminary training, and Missions along all the lines. Second we recommend that the churches in Marion County shall launch a campaign to group the churches and locate pastors on each field and thus the churches can be pastored and shepherded as well as have preaching. And third we recommend that an every-member canvas be made of the churches and thus raise the amount necessary for Missions and pastor's salary and this be paid by the month instead of by the year. For it has been requested that an every-member canvas be made before help shall be given by the State Board. Also it is the urgent request that the months of October and November be given to redeeming the pledges made to the 75 Million campaign.

We also recommend the tithe system as a minimum of our giving.

Respectfully submitted,

W. R. COOPER.

Report on Layman's Missionary Movement was called. This report not being present, the Moderator was instructed to turn in the suggested report from Convention Board. All these reports were spoken to by Brethren S. H. Pope, W. L. Simmons, W. R. Cooper, T. D. Cox, L. E. Lightsey and W. A. Murray. A standing vote as to the number of tithers present. Ten people stood up on this proposition.

On motion all these reports were adopted at once.

Report on Publication was read by Alvin Lott.

SUGGESTIVE REPORT ON PUBLICATIONS.

People whose citizenship is in heaven will be loyal to the truth and work of the kingdom of heaven. To be loyal to it they must know about it. To know about it they must read of its progress from week to week in the denominational paper.

If we are to set our minds on things above we have got to know the truth of God and watch the movement of the hosts of God as they seek to make the kingdom of this world the kingdom of our Lord and of his Christ. They must have a part in it. But no man can have a

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part in it who does not familiarize himself with its movements by reading the denominational paper every week.

If we are to comprehend with all saints the height and depth and length and breadth of God's grace and God's plan of work, we must have fellowship with these saints in a common task and a common inheritance of truth. This fellowship with the whole body of God's people is possible only through the medium of communication found in the religious paper.

If all things are ours, even all the avenues of help that come through the ministry of God's servants, the best men and women in the world, these sources of knowledge and comfort and strength and enlargement are available to us in the fullest measure only through what they write, for most of them we shall never see, or seldom see in the flesh.

If we are to think of the things that are true and honorable and just and pure and lovely and of good report, we must not be satisfied with stuffing our minds with the works of the devil as they are portrayed in the secular press; we must know what God is doing in the denominational paper.

If we are to be our brother's keeper we must not only read what is good ourselves, but get him to do likewise. The responsibility of the pastor and church for all the members will logically lead to putting the Baptist Record into every home. Our spiritual advancement and growth in ability to work, and interest in the work, will be measured by the subscription list of our Baptist Papers in the church and in the state. ALL A-1 standards are incomplete that do not include the reading of the Baptist Record, Home and Foreign Fields, and our Sunday School Literature.

We would recommend two definite ways for getting the Baptist papers into homes of our people.

1. Put the cost of the Baptist Record into the local church expense budget and sent the paper to every home represented in the church.

2. Appoint a committee on religious literature who duty it shall be to make a thorough canvass of the church membership at least once each year in an effort to secure subscriptions for the Baptist Record, Home and Foreign Fields, and Royal Service. This committee should also secure and distribute good tracts.

Respectfully submitted,

ALVIN LOTT.

This report was remarked on by Rev. L. E. Lightsey and Rev. W. R. Cooper. The report was adopted.

Report on Obituaries read by I. J. Cooper, and adopted.

REPORT ON OBITUARIES.

We, your committee on obituaries, submit the following report:
This is a report of such a matter as to solemnize our thoughts when we think of the separation in association of the lives and labor of those whom God has called from among us and away from the kingdom work here; but we realize our loss here is heaven's gains, yet while we mourn loss to us, we should be reminded of our fast fleeting life and utilize every moment for the advancement of the material kingdom.

Our dead are as follows:

Columbia—Mrs. W. H. Frith
Goss—Mrs. Nancy Taylor; Miss Mercy Ryals; Miss Lucy Lee Fortenberry; and Mr. Jas. Carlisle.
Hurricane Creek—J. D. McKenzie.
Holly Springs—Isa Carr; Polly Anna Wattery.
White Bluff—M. B. Jelks.
Cedar Grove—H. B. Brooks; Walter Brakifield.
Total Deceased—11.

Respectfully submitted,
J. I. COOPER.

REPORT OF NOMINATING COMMITTEE.

The Nominating Committee submitted the following report that was adopted as read:

Foreign Missions—Prof. E. I. Watts.

Home Missions—Prof. W. Jacobs.

State Missions—R. D. Brock.

Christian Education—W. A. Morris.

Ministerial Education—F. L. Smith.

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B. Y. P. U.—Rev. J. L. Watts.

Sunday School—Rev. L. H. Harper.

The association adjourned until Sunday morning. Prayer by Rev. R. E. Bell.

THIRD DAY—MORNING SESSION.

10:00—11:00—Sunday School.

11:00—The association was called to order by the Moderator. First report called for was Church Discipline. This was read by F. D. Robertson.

REPORT ON CHURCH DISCIPLINE.

Discipline is both Formative and Corrective.

1st—Formative: Romans 15:1.

We then that are strong ought to bear the infirmities of the weak and not to please ourselves.

2nd—Corrective: 2nd Thessalonians 3:6.

Now we commend you, brethren, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that ye withdraw yourselves from every brother that walketh disorderly, and not after the traditions which he received of us.

Respectfully submitted,

F. D. ROBERTSON.

This report was spoken to by Brethren Robertson, Cox and Lightsey. The report was adopted.

Report on the Orphanage was read by Rrof. H. F. Patterson.

REPORT ON ORPHANAGE.

We rejoice in the good report from our orphanage at Jackson, Miss. It is now in its 25th year and has cared for, during this time, about one thousand children, many of whom have grown into manhood and womanhood and are now filling places of usefulness in homes of their own, many of them, in offices, hospitals, machine shops, on the farm, and in almost all the vocations of life.

We learn from our superintendent that the health of the children is fine. They have not had a death from sickness in four years and are caring for an average of 150 children all the while. These children are gathered up here and the from the most hopeless and unpromising surroundings and doctored up and fed up and trained up into useful men and women.

The boys are trained in agriculture, stock raising, dairying, truck growing, carpentry, and machinery. The girls are trained in the art of cooking, sewing, washing, ironing, fancy work, and general house keeping.

All the children of the orphanage have the advantage of a good school eight months in the year under efficient teachers and attend Sunday School and preaching every Sunday, and those who are Christians are trained in Christian work in their own senior and junior B. Y. P. U.'s and altogether our children at the orphanage are being splendidly fitted for useful Christian citizenship.

We commend our orphanage and its splendid work to the hearts and benevolence of all our people and urge that during the month of November our people send to the orphanage from our farms and stores: corn, peas, molasses, canned goods of all kinds, clothing, stationery, pencils, tablets, pins, needles, combs, soap, towels, sheets, pillow cases, and anything that is needed in the ordinary home.

We learn also from our superintendent that our orphanage is in good financial condition and our children will continue to be amply provided for if our people will pay their pledges to the 75 Million Campaign, but will suffer in proportion as we fail.

We urge most strongly that our people make it a point to pay their pledges to the campaign and let the orphanage and all the work of the kingdom go forward to the good of humanity and the glory of our Master.

Respectfully submitted,

H. F. PATTERSON, Chm. Com.

MARION COUNTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

This report was remarked on by Brethren Cox and Lightsey. The report was adopted.

The Sunday School report was read by R. D. Brock.

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOL WORK.

To Marion County Baptist Association, East Columbia Church
September 9-10-11th, 1921.

The Great Commission says make disciples, baptize them and then teach these baptized disciples to observe "all things whatsoever I have commanded you."

We would not in any way minimize the evangelistic opportunity for church members, as the above scripture commands.

We would do well to begin our teaching with the baptized believers in our Sunday Schools but we would emphasize the great need of enlisting and teaching the membership of all our churches.

Perhaps the one outstanding need in our schools to-day is to reach the senior adult departments. New emphasis is being given to these departments by having an "Organized Class Department," with a general secretary, who furnishes all the needed literature and such other information as will contribute to the enlargement of these departments.

The Sunday School Board has a department of Sunday School Administration, which is doing a great service in more efficient organization of our schools.

In addition to the regular literature we will call especial attention to the "Sunday School Builder" and the "Organized Class Magazine."

To supply the ever pressing need and to reach our possibilities, it is absolutely necessary that we have trained superintendents, teachers and officers, who are keenly enthusiastic in the promotion of their respective schools. It is also essential that we have church houses adapted to Sunday School work, and in this connection we will call attention to our "Church Building Movement" as fostered by Dr. Burroughs of this Sunday School Board. Much has been accomplished in our teacher training work. The County Normal held at Bunker Hill Church the latter part of June was the best attended of any normal in the state, enrolling 182 members and delivering 105 awards, all the churches in the county being represented and five churches outside the county.

We do most earnestly urge our pastors, superintendents, teachers and officers to take a special interest in our County Normals and Sunday School Conventions. The conventions meet every fifth Sunday, the last meeting held at Antioch church, which was well attended and an increased interest manifested. New officers were elected and Columbia church designated as the next convention place which will be the fifth Sunday in October. Normals arranged at suitable seasons, and we should begin now to enlist our young people in these schools of training.

Our schools we feel are gradually making some progress, but there is a great work to be done in the county, and as a means of extending our Sunday school work, your committee would recommend closer relations with the County or Association Sunday School Conventions, and the extension of Sunday School work from our colleges and full time churches.

Respectfully submitted,
R. D. BROCK, Committee.

MARION COUNTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

This report was spoken to by Brethren Brock, Cox, Lightsey, Smith, Bush, and Miss Watts. The report was adopted.

The Association was dismissed for the noon hour with prayer by Bro. R. D. Brock.

THIRD DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

Song—"Bring Them In."

Song—"Nothing But the Blood of Jesus."

The report on Pastors Support was called for. This report not being in, a discussion of this subject was entered into by Brethren Cooper, Simmons and Smith.

Rev. W. R. Cooper preached a sermon from Ephesians 2:2.

Bro. Cooper conducted a round table discussion on tithing.

Rev. J. L. Watts was elected as Associational Messenger to Southern Baptist Convention. The association to pay his expenses.

Rev. W. R. Cooper was elected to succeed Rev. T. L. Holcomb as member of State Convention Board.

Mrs. A. H. Ball was elected superintendent of Woman's Work. She was given authority to appoint all other officers and Committees that she might need in this work.

The Association endorsed the election of W. B. Sills as president of the County Sunday School Convention.

W. M. Roy was elected messenger from the Association to the State Convention.

The treasurer's report was read and discussed. There was not enough money turned in to have the minutes printed. The Clerk was instructed to apportion the various churches their pro rata share of the amount that they were short and notify them.

The Committee on digest of letters was made by W. L. Simmons. He made this report by showing on a large chart the figures of work of all the churches.

Bro. Cooper gave an outlined plan of a county wide evangelistic meeting he had in mind for this county.

There was a rising vote of thanks to the East Columbia people for their splendid hospitality during the entire three days of the Association.

There being no further business to come before the Association, Rev. E. B. Lightsey pronounced the benediction and the association adjourned to meet with Foxworth Church, Friday before the second Sunday in September, 1922.

T. D. COX, Moderator.

JENNIE WATTS, Clerk.

SUNDAY SCHOOL TABLE

CHURCHES	SUPERINTENDENTS	SECRETARIES	No. Officers and Teachers	No. Pupils	No. Church Members in S. S.	No. Pupil- ized from S. S.	Contributions
Antioch	I. F. Spencer, Foxworth, R.	Miss Lillie Williamson	6	40	26	3	\$60.00
Bunker Hill	W. M. Brewer, Columbia, R. 1.	Miss Jewel Cox, Columbia, R. 1.	8	147	97	9	60.00
Cedar Grove							
Clear Creek	R. D. Brock, Columbia	R. R. Griffith, Columbia	66	580	400	77	930.28
Columbia	F. L. Smith, Columbia, R.	Miss Myrtis Singly, Columbia, R.	8	85	65	4	13.60
East Columbia							
Edna	L. A. Holmes, Foxworth	W. W. Lovelace, Foxworth	11	112	65	6	85.00
Foxworth	G. W. Hitt, Goss	Mrs. Vesta Carmichael, Goss	8	102	65		30.02
Goss	C. F. Lowe, Morgantown	Miss Lucy Prescott, Morgantown	6	34	20	11	7.50
Holly Springs	R. S. Lott, Sandy Hook, R.	Mike Fortenberry, Sandy Hook	6	53	25	6	
Hurricane Cl.	E. I. Watts, Columbia, R.	R. E. Bell, Columbia, R.	10	125	75	25	60.00
Improve	E. M. Owen, Kokomo	Miss Ella Lee Ryan, Kokomo	5	100	65	10	
Kokomo	A. C. Mullins, Foxworth, R.	Miss Ruby Turnage, Cherow	6	45	23	3	15.40
New Hope	Alvin Lott, Sumrall, R.	Miss Lina Lott	5	40			
Olak	I. W. Hurt, Sandy Hook	Miss Allene Forbes, Sandy Hook	9	105	56	6	12.00
Sandy Hook	Lee Williamson, Tylertown, R.	Miss Evie Turnage, Tylertown R.	7	40	27	1	3.41
Shiloh	T. S. Boyd, White Bluff	Mrs. O. G. May, White Bluff	5	42	20		
White Bluff							
		Total	164	1650	1031	151	\$1,230.21

MEMBERSHIP TABLE

CHURCHS	PASTORS	CLERKS	Time of Preaching	Increased			Decreased			Total membership this year	Total membership last year
				By Letter	By Restoration	By Baptism	By Letter	By Expulsion	By Death		
Antioch----	V. C. Walker, Kokomo----	Gus Taylor, Foxworth, R----	3	11		4	2			130	117
Bunker Hill----	A. D. Muse, Clinton----	C. L. Roberts, Columbia, R. I----	2	14		17	7			280	256
Cedar Grove----	A. J. Linton, Clinton----	E. R. Appewhite, Columbia----	4			1	3			112	116
Columbia----	W. R. Cooper, Columbia----	Miss Jeanie Watts, Columbia full tim	3	93	1	140	50			11025	1196
Edna----	L. G. Varnado, Poplarville----	I. E. Anderson, Hub----	3	5		4	1			60	60
East Columbia----	W. R. Cooper, Columbia----	R. E. Alexander, Columbia, R----	2	4		9	21			85	76
Goss----	W. A. Murray, Foxworth----	F. D. Robertson, Goss----	3		1	15	5			231	247
Holly Springs----	A. J. Linton, Clinton----	T. R. Beard, Foxworth, R----	1	2		12	5			65	50
Hurricane Ck.----	J. L. Watts, Columbia, R----	W. R. Fortenberry, Sandy Hk. R----	1	2		25	5			119	107
Improve----	J. L. Watts, Columbia, R----	W. M. McArthur, Columbia, R----	2 & 4	1	1	10	8			228	205
Kokomo----	T. D. Cox, Columbia, R----	H. M. Williamson, Kokomo----	4							112	109
Morgantown----	V. C. Walker, Kokomo----	C. D. Turnage, Sandy Hk., R----	2	4		8	5			250	243
New Hope----	T. D. Cox, Columbia, R----	G. W. Lott, Sumrall, R----	2		2	3	3	2		82	82
Olah----	T. D. Cox, Columbia, R----	H. H. Forbes, Sandy Hook----	1	1		8	9			53	53
Sandy Hook----	V. C. Walker, Kokomo----	C. O. Pittman, Tylertown, R----	1	5		1	6			136	136
Shiloh----	A. J. Linton, Clinton----	O. G. May, White Bluff----	1 & 4			7	3			43	44
White Bluff----	A. J. Linton, Clinton----	W. B. Sykes, Foxworth----	2	21		3	7			119	98
Foxworth----	W. A. Murray, Foxworth----	W. H. Powell, Baxterville, R----	3	2			2			84	81
Cedar Creek----	J. L. Watts, Columbia, R----										
Total-----				165	5	267	137	2	9	3214	3279

STATISTICAL TABLE

CHURCHES	Value of Church Property	Value of Pastors Home	Pastors Salary	Visiting Ministers	Building and Repairs	Incidentals	Sunday School	Expenses	75 Million Campaign	Minute Card	Other Objects	TOTAL
Antioch-----	1,000.00		125.00	40.49					75.00	1.56		252.59
Bunker Hill---	1,400.00		250.00	707.95				60.00	330.90	11.36	68.50	827.35
Cedar Grove---	1,000.00		150.00	42.00					5.00	4.00		197.00
Cedar Creek---	1,200.00		101.15									105.15
Columbia-----	2,500.00	2,400.00	3,700.00	750.00	140.30	669.64		930.28	5,347.01		2,069.05	13,227.29
East Columbia	600.00		200.00	103.30	9.75			13.60	126.27		65.70	518.62
Edna-----	800.00	1,300.00	600.00	60.00				85.00	76.00			178.25
Foxworth-----	2,000.00		300.00	53.05				30.02	453.75			601.25
Goss-----	400.00		125.00	27.46				7.50	28.50		52.08	465.15
Holly Springs-	2,000.00		145.00	31.50	36.75			80.23	25.00			178.94
Hurricane Ck--	1,200.00		300.00	62.00		29.86		50.00	173.00			273.48
Improve-----	3,000.00							276.50				322.61
Kokomo-----	800.00		136.00	35.00	7.00			15.40	59.96		5.00	258.36
Morgantown---	2,000.00		225.00	37.72				187.00				452.72
New Hope-----	650.00		75.00	31.00				257.65				271.65
Sandy Hook---	1,000.00		125.00	18.60		10.00		3.00			158.60	476.65
Shiloh-----	850.00		100.00	30.00				3.11	63.30	1.50		197.91
White Bluff---												
Total-----	63,050.00	3,700.00	6,057.15	822.57	193.70	720.10	1,206.91	7,511.87	60,562.29	8.86	2,298.93	19,276.80





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OFFICERS

MODERATOR	-----	REV. T. D. COX
TREASURER	-----	MR. W. L. SIMMONS
CLERK	-----	MISS JENNIE WATTS

OFFICERS AND COMMITTEE

Moderator ----- Rev. T. D. Cox, Columbia, Route 1.
 Treasurer ----- Mr. W. L. Simmons, Columbia.
 Clerk ----- Miss Jennie Watts.

ASSOCIATIONAL REPRESENTATIVES.

Messenger to State Convention ----- Mr. T. C. Griffith
 Messanger to State Convention ----- Mr. T. C. Griffith.
 Delegate to Southern Baptist Convention ----- Rev. B. B. Coke

ANNUAL COMMITTEES.

Missions—W. Jacobs, W. B. Sills and E. I. Watts.
 Education—H. F. Patterson, L. J. Stringer and F. S. Hammond.
 Social Service—R. D. Brock, Ira Rayborn and S. H. Pope.
 Order of Business— Dr. L. R. Bush, O. G. May and F. L. Smith.

NEXT MEETING.

Time—Friday before Second Sunday in September (7-8-9,) 1923.
 Place—Bunker Hill Church.
 Preacher—B. B. Coke.
 Alternate—Rev. V. C. Walker.

Proceedings

First Day—Morning Session.

Foxworth Church, September 8, 1922

The Marion County Baptist Association convened in the one hundred and third annual session, with Foxworth Baptist Church, at 10:00 a. m., September 8, 1922. The meeting was called to order by the Moderator. Songs; Revive Us Again and We are Marching to Zion, were sung. Rev. Owen Williams, the newly appointed District Enlistment missionary lead the devotional reading; Collossians 2:20 and 3:14. Prayer was offered by Rev. T. D. Cox.

After appropriate remarks by the Moderator the Association went into the election of officers for another year, which resulted as follows:

Moderator—Rev. T. D. Cox; Treasurer—Mr. W. L. Simmons; Clerk—Miss Jennie Watts.

The Moderator called the roll of the churches and the following delegates were enrolled as messengers.

Antoch—Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Beard and A. S. Forbes.

Bunker Hill—G. C. Cox, Rev and Mrs. T. D. Cox, Miss Jewell Cox and Mr. and Mrs. D. R. McNeese.

Cedar Grove—Mrs. E. J. Fortenberry, Mrs. J. I. Fortenberry and Mr. and Mrs. Wilman Pope.

Clear Creek—Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Bilbo.

Columbia—W. L. Simmons, W. Jacobs. Mr. and Mrs. B. S. Watts, George Magee, Mrs. B. F. Harris, Rev. W. R. Cooper, T. C. Griffith, L. N. Cook, L. R. Bush and Mrs. J. S. Aban.

East Columbia—Mr. and Mrs. Albert Singley, Mr. and Mrs. S. F. Smith and J. N. Thornhill.

Edna—Mr. and Mrs. J. I. Cooper. Tom White and Miss Daisy Williams.

Foxworth—Rev. B. B. Coke, J. A. Holmes, W. B. Sills, Mrs. G. M. Parker and M. L. Graham.

Goss—Clark Robertson, Marvin Bourn and Ernest Williamson.

Holly Springs—Mr. and Mrs. T. R. Beard, Miss Letha Lowe, and Miss Lela Lowe.

Hurricane Creek—Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Fortenberry and R. S. Lott.

Improve—Rev. J. L. Watts and Rev. E. R. Bell.

Kokomo—H. M. Williamson and Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Ginn.

New Hope—A. C. Mullins and Mrs. Hellen Pittman.

Oloh—Mr and Mrs. L. J. Stringer.

Sandy Hook—Miss Zellie Pigott and Mrs. Tom Forbes.

Shiloh—Leon Graham and E. M. Pittman.

White Bluff—Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Boyd and I E. Russell.

W. D. Dunaway, of Morgantown, was given a seat as a Messenger in the Association.

A finance committee composed of the following was appointed:

Brethren J. A. Holmes, E. P. Beard and Tom White. Bro. B. B. Coke, pastor of Foxworth Church, in a few well chosen words gave the Association a cordial welcome to his church.

Song—He Will Keep His Promises.

Prayer—Rev. Wade Smith.

By election at the last years Association, Rev. Wade Smith now preached the Associational Sermon. His text was; 2 Cor. 8:5, "But first they gave their own selves to the Lord."

The reading of the Associational letters was discussed. It was voted that they be read and Prof. Jacobs and W. B. Sills were appointed readers.

Visitors were recognized, Rev. L. E. Lightsey, representing the Baptist Record and The Baptist Book Store announced about the work he represented.

The meeting was adjourned for the noon hour, with prayer by Rev. W. R. Cooper.

FIRST DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

Song—Standing On the Promises.

Song—Count Your Blessings.

The letter readers were called to the front. The churches were called alphabetically and read and commented on.

The question of grouping the reports under three general heads as suggested by the State Convention Board, was discussed. There was a motion to adopt this plan after much discussion the motion was tabled until the next day.

On motion the Woman's Missionary Union Work was given the first hour Saturday afternoon.

The first report called for was, Home Missions. This report was read by Prof. Jacobs.

HOME MISSIONS.

The work which the Home Mission Board is doing consists of Co-operative Missions, Enlistment, Evangelism, Mountain Schools, Foreigners, Indians, Negroes, Cuba and Panama, Soldiers and Seamen, Publicity, Southern Baptist Sanatorium and Church Extension.

The Departments of Enlistment and Evangelism have recently been placed under the same superintendent, Dr. O. E. Bryan, and the work of the two departments has been more closely co-ordinated.

The work of the Home Board was very greatly enlarged at the beginning of the 75 Million Campaign, and because of a very heavy decrease in cash receipts during the past year, a heavy indebtedness has been incurred. But by reducing appropriations and retrenching the work wherever possible and with the increase in receipts this indebtedness is being gradually reduced.

There were last year a total of 1,188 missionaries who supplied 3,121 churches and missions under direction of the Home Board. These workers delivered 165,445 sermons and addresses, made 236,992 religious visits, baptized 56,164 converts, received 83,994 additions to the churches, organized 305 churches, built and improved 456 houses of worship, organized 786 Sunday school, distributed millions of pages of tracts and thousands of copies of scriptures.

W. JACOBS, Chairman.

Motion to adopt report. The report was spoken to by Brethern Jacobs, Owen Williams, W. R. Cooper and L. E. Lightsey. The discussion was continued until the other reports on Missions were read.

The Association envited Prof. Jacobs to speak at the 11 o'clock hour Saturday.

The Entertainment Committee announced that homes would be provided for any of the delegates who would remain over for the night.

The first days session was dismissed with prayer by Bro. Murray.

SECOND DAY—MORNING SESSION.

On Saturday morning at 9:30 o'clock the Association re-assembled and the meeting was opened with a song.

Rev. L. E. Lightsey led the devotional, using the First Psalm.

Report on Laymans Missionary Movement by T. C. Griffith was read.

REPORT ON LAYMEN'S MISSIONARY MOVEMENT.

During the last fifteen years the Layman's Missionary Movement has been one of the most far-reaching agencies for the advancement of God's cause.

The influence of the movement has been felt in the work of all denominations. Among Southern Baptists numbers of men in every state have been enlisted and have become useful in all phases of church work. They have been more faithful in their attendance upon all services, have contributed of their means more liberally and have become more consecrated in every way. Many laymen have become active personal soul-winners, both by private conversation and by public appeal.

The influence of the movement has been felt in a special way in this Association. Several who have gone out from this Association as preachers and special workers rendered their first service in this movement and felt their first call while engaged in this work. Many others have become more useful in their own churches, and are helping to make them greater churches.

It is not the purpose of this movement to form a separate organization, but to engage the men in the regular work of the churches, to help increase the attendance of Sunday School, of prayer-meetings, of regular preaching services and to insure their active co-operation along all lines.

Although much has been done, much remains to be done. Many more men should be reached and enlisted. All should become tithers, should pay their campaign pledges and be active in all phases of the work.

We recommend that every effort possible be made by the pastors and other leaders in our churches to reach and enlist the men for their own development, for the good of the churches, and for the GLORY OF GOD.

T. C. GRIFFITH.

The report was spoken to by Brethren I. E. Russell, J. A. Bilbo, W. L. Simmons, T. C. Griffith, Owen Williams, L. E. Lightsey, E. Y. Quizenberry, L. I. Stringer and J. R. Carter. The report was adopted.

Report from Baptist Orphanage was to have been made by L. N. Cook, but he tendered his time to Dr. J. R. Carter, Superintendent of the Orphanage, and twenty minutes he briefly told of every phase of the work of the Orphanage.

Solo—By Miss Jewel Sanford, of the Mississippi Industrial and Training School. Prof. W. Jacobs spoke. His subject was Qualifications of a church member.

On motion the Association asked Prof. Jacobs to put his speech in the form of an article and send it in to the Baptist Record for publication.

The Association was adjourned for the noon hour by Rev. J. R. Carter.

SECOND DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

Song—O How I Love Jesus.

Prayer—Rev. J. B. Quin.

Motion was called, that was tabled Friday. The motion was lost.

A committee consisting of Rev. W. R. Cooper, W. Jacobs and W. B. Sills

was appointed to study plans as to order of reports as recommended by State Convention Board and make recommendations to the Association.

Special Song—All In All. By Intermediate B. Y. P. U. of Columbia.

Report on Womans Missionary Union Work read by Miss Letha Lowe. The report was spoken to by Miss Lowe, Miss Watts, Brethren Quin, Quisenberry and Williams. The report was adopted.

W. M. U. WORK.

No phase of our work has made more substantial progress than the work of the Woman's Missionary Union under the direction of Miss M. M. Lackey, Corresponding Secretary. The following report is submitted:

Three regular workers are in the field and four special workers. These workers have attended fifty-six associations, and have held twenty-seven associational institutes. Six district meetings have been held. The Woman's Missionary Union work has been conducted at two summer assemblies. One State W. M. U. Convention has been held. Nine hundred and fifty Mission study classes have been conducted during the year, and one thousand one hundred and thirty-nine certificates and forty-nine honor certificates have been granted.

The work in Marion County is just being developed. This is growing interest in all the work. By another year we hope to be able to report a live W. M. S. in every church in the county, in place of only half that number now. With our watch word for the year "God Is Able" and our song, "How Firm a Foundation," constantly before us, I trust that we are going to press forward as never before.

Respectfully submitted,

LETHA LOWE.

On motion the W. M. U. drew out of the general association and formed an association of their own. They are to hold their annual meeting the day preceeding the general association.

The nominating committee for the election of officers for another year, for the W. M. U. consisting of Mesdames Toxey Hall, Jim Graham and Laura Turnage made he following report:

Superintendent	Mrs. G. M. Parker, Foxworth.
Mission Study Leader	Mrs. Dolf Tolar, East Columbia.
Personal Service Leader	Mrs. V. C. Walker, Kokomo.
Stewardship Leader	Mrs. T. D. Cox, Bunker Hill
Young Peoples Leader	Miss Letha Lowe, Holly Springs.

On motion each church is to give Mrs. G. M. Parker one dollar on her expenses for the W. M. U. Work.

Dr. E. Y. Quisenberry spoke in the interest of the Foreign Mission Board. He told of the work the Board is fostering in South America.

RECOMMENDATIONS.

The Committee on order of business made the following recommendations:

1. That the program of the Association in its Annual Meetings be conducted under three general heads, namely—Missions, Education and Social Service.
2. That a committee on committees be appointed during the first session

of the Association, whose duty it shall be to select all committees to serve during the Sessions of the Association including the following:

1.—A committee on nominations to nominate all Boards and Standing Committees.

2.—A Committee on time, place and preacher.

3.—A Committee on Statistical Summary.

4.—A Committee on Obituaries.

3. The following standing committees shall be elected each year:

1.—A Committee on Missions.

2.—A Committee on Education.

3.—A Committee on Social Service.

4.—A Committee on Order of Business for next year.

The report was adopted as read.

Bro. Owen Williams recommended that the Association have an Executive Board consisting of one person from each church in the Association. This person to be elected by the church. The Association voted to have this Committee.

Miss Eva Fortenberry, leader of the Intermediate B. Y. P. U. of Columbia, made a statement urging every body to subscribe for the Baptist Record.

The Association adjourned until 9:30 Sunday morning.

THIRD DAY—MORNING SESSION.

The third day of the Association was opened by singing, Amazing Grace. Prayer, Dr. Quisenberry.

Committee on Committees was appointed consisting of Prof. W. Jacobs, H. M. Williamson and R. D. Brock.

The State Mission Report was spoken to by Rev. Owen Williams. He states briefly the purpose and plan of the Supplementary Campaign to be put on this fall.

Report on Ministerial Education was read by Prof. Jacobs. The report was spoken to by Prof. Jacobs and Dr. Quisenberry. Report was adopted.

IV. MINISTERIAL EDUCATION.

There were 119 ministerial students in Mississippi and Clarke Colleges last session. Two thirds of these received some help from the Board of Ministerial Education. At least one half of these could not have remained in college without help. There were applications for help for about twice as much as was received for ministerial education. Ministerial students are entering our colleges in increasing numbers and the funds being received are entirely inadequate to take care of the needs. There is need of a number of small cottages, each with enough land for a garden and a place for a cow. Each family should have a chance to be as near self-supporting as possible. There ought to be ten or twelve such cottages at Clinton and several at Newton. There is need of \$12,000 next year for current expenses alone.

Bro. Rodney Branton, a young man just sixteen years of age, from the Columbia Church answered the call of the ministry and is now in Mississippi College. He was licensed to preach the 27th of August.

Other ministerial students from this Association in college are Rev. Wade Smith, Rev. Oscar Thompson and Rev. Hoyt Davis.

Song—Stand Up For Jesus.

Dr. R. B. Gunter, spoke on State Missions.

Song—Amazing Grace and How Firm A Foundation, were sung to the old tunes.

Dr. E. Y. Quisenberry spoke on the Women of China

Adjourned for dinner with prayer by Dr. R. B. Gunter.

AFTERNOON SESSION—THIRD DAY.

Song—Stand Up For Jesus.

Prayer—Lead by L. J. Stringer.

Report of Committee on Committees was read and adopted. The various Committees were asked to withdraw and make up their reports.

Report on Baptist Orphanage read by L. N. Cook, adopted without further discussion.

BAPTIST ORPHANAGE

Another year has passed and time has come to report again on the Baptist Orphanage, and we submit the following report:

We learned on yesterday from the Superintendent of this institution that there are 175 children in the Baptist Orphanage, and that these children are well and happy. These children are making fine progress along all lines of development, and specially is this true along religious lines.

The spirit among the children is good, the feelings one toward another is as good as could be expected, and they pride themselves in knowing how to go about their work in the affairs of the home.

As to the educational advantages of these children, they have good teachers and go to school eight months in each year, and they make good grades, as a general rule.

They also have the advantage of a Junior and Senior B. Y. P. U., and attend Sunday School and church services regularly and twenty or more of the boys and girls have made a profession of faith and united with the church this year.

The reason that there are not four or five hundred children in this home, is because there is not room for them. Dr. Carter has now about all that he can care for; but through the kindness of interested friends and relatives, many of the older girls and boys enter High School and College, and this gives room for other children who are without a home. As the capacity of the Institution is limited, great care and caution is urged in the matter of recommending children to the Orphanage. If children can be cared for in the community, by friends and relatives, this should be done.

The Orphanage has a good farm, and has been blessed this year with a good crop of corn and sweet potatoes, about 5 to 8 hundred bushels of each.

The donations this year, we are sorry to say, have fell short several thousand dollars, but through the good judgment and good management of Dr. Carter, there were funds from which they could draw, and will carry them over without incurring any debt, and in submitting this report, we feel that every layman should try to meet his pledge in the 75 million campaign, in order that this Institution shall not be neglected.

Respectfully submitted,

L. N. COOK.

Report on 75 Million Campaign was read and adopted.

75 MILLION CAMPAIGN.

We, your committee, beg leave to submit the following report:

In submitting this report, we would call special attention to the reinforcement Campaign which is recommended to be put on in all the associations this fall, when an effort will be made to enlist all members who did not subscribe to the 75 Million Campaign at the beginning and all new members who have since come into our church; and to collect all pledges due, also to collect cash contributions from all who have made no pledges.

We present the following facts concerning the progress of the 75 Million

Campaign up to May 1st, 1922: Amount pledged by Mississippi, \$4,209,585. Amount paid first year, \$862,196, second year, \$535,273, third year, \$427,182, 58, total \$1,824,551.38. Amount paid by all the churches South \$35,164,309.77.

We urge that contributions to this fund be made regularly by all the churches and that the treasurers forward the amounts monthly to Dr. R. B. Gunter, Jackson, Miss.

We your committee believe the 75 Million Campaign to be the greatest movement ever launched by the Baptist people in the history of the denomination, because it stands for world wide Evangelism. There has been greater progress made in soul winning during the last three years than ever before in the same length of time, both at home and in the foreign fields.

The continuance of this great work depends upon the promptness of the payment of amounts pledged.

Respectfully submitted,
H. F. PATTERSON, Chairman.

Report on B. Y. P. U. was read and adopted.

REPORT ON BAPTIST YOUNG PEOPLE'S UNION.

We, your committee on B. Y. P. U., beg to submit the following report:

The last command of our Savior was to go into the world and preach the gospel to every creature, promising that every one that believed and was baptised should be saved. He also commanded to teach those that were saved to observe all things that He had commanded them. So there was as strong an emphasis placed on the teaching of those that are saved as upon making disciples. We are in the habit of laying great stress upon the first command, and sadly neglecting to emphasize the latter.

So there, to give efficient service, one must be trained for that service, and the best time for training for any vocation in life is while we are young.

The Baptist Young Peoples Union stands for the training of the young people in efficient christian and kingdom service.

To do God's will, we must first know His will. To know His will we must study His word. We have no organization which more strongly advocates the daily study of the Bible than the B. Y. P. U.

The Bible teachers systematic giving. You seldom or never see this practiced among the young christians in a church where there is no B. Y. P. U. while it is universally advocated wherever the organization is found.

During the last year we have made great progress in the B. Y. P. U. work. Last year five hundred Unions were reported. Now there are over six hundred in the state. Thirty-six Unions report every member giving systematically and regularly to the church and church work.

There are seventy-five A 1 Unions in the state. Over three thousand diplomas and seals have been granted to those who have stood successful examinations in B. Y. P. U. work. Four banners were awarded by the State Convention to Unions making high grades on certain lines.

Therefore, we your committee, recommend that every church in the bounds of this Association do their utmost to organize and maintain a good live B. Y. P. U. That we, as older members, stand by and encourage them in the work; that we especially urge them to take advantage of the Normals held in the county for the purpose of training them for the work.

Respectfully submitted,
J. L. WATTS, Jr.

MARION COUNTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

W. L. Simmons read report on Pastoral Support. The report was spoken to by Mr. Simmons. Report was adopted.

PASTORAL SUPPORT.

It is a fact to be regreted that the majority of church members have a very narrow and limited conception of the meaning of Pastoral Support. This question has been reported on, and spoken to in our Associations for many years, but for the most part, in a perfunctory way, being presented and disposed of in that abstract manner characteristic to routine matters. And we return to our churches under the spell of delightful fellowship, elated over the fine spirit manifested in the deliberations and filled with new resolutions, and the preacher with new hope and fresh inspiration continues to pour out his soul, and to burn out his soul, and to burn out his life on starvation pay.

We are all agreed that we would not live, wholly, separate and apart from church advantages, and without the benefits and influence of church institutions, for we know by experience and observation that the church and the preachers of the gospel are the strongest forces in the community for the things that are worth while, yet we show by our careless attitude toward the church and the preacher, that our estimate of their worth to the community life is one thing, and that our sense of obligation to support them is quite another. We would not eliminate the preacher, neither do we make life as easy for him as he deserves.

We are sometimes heard to complain about the preacher and his work, and if the real cause of inefficiency in a preacher, where such exists, if followed back to its real cause it will be found to rest on the church membership and insufficient support. No man can do as good work on an inadequate salary as he can if properly supported, thus relieving his mind from the thought and concern about material necessities.

We are drifting into the custom of expecting very much from our pastors, it is the opinion of many at this time, that in addition to his regular religious duties, he must teach civic responsibility, social economy and political morality, and to be a real leader of men and conditions in the community. It is almost useless to say in this connection that he can never meet his obligations to his people fully, until we have met our obligations to him.

It is a fact that we have not met our obligations to our pastor when we have done nothing more than to make life reasonably easy for him in the material things of life, but in this time of isms and monkey notions about evolution and of compromise with the world he needs our moral backing quite as much as our financial support. Let's resolve to advance the kingdom of Christ, for which the Pastor stands, by giving him our support, financial and moral.

Respectfully,

W. L. SIMMONS.

Report on Publications was read and spoken to by Bro. Lightsey. The report was adopted.

REPORT ON PUBLICATION.

I have been asked by your Committee to make a "Report on Publication." The distinguished honor accorded me is not due, I am sure, to any supposed ability or special fitness of mine to discuss this very important subject, but rather because of the great importance of having the attention of the Association directed to the matter of publication.

I am profoundly grateful to the Committee to have the privilege of making this my feeble report:

Some one has truly said, "That the pen is more powerful than the sword."

The greatest victories that the world has ever seen have been fought and won by the press; the greatest reforms have been accomplished through the press. All great issues have been discussed by the leaders of the nation and the wishes of the people determined through the medium of the press. Since we know this to be true, it should behoove every Christian to lend assistance in placing on the reading table of every home in this beautiful land of ours, the best Christian literature. And for the Baptist of Mississippi I know of nothing better than the Baptist Record.

I make the assertion that less than 50 per cent of the members of the Baptist church of this great State are informed as to the great moves that the church desires to carry out. In my opinion the denominational paper is absolutely essential in getting the right information into the hands of the membership, without which it is practically impossible to put over successfully any large undertaking.

It is not only our duty to try to place the paper in every Baptist home, but we all should join in and make it the best publication edited within the borders of our great state. In this way we can increase its circulation among other denominations, and in so doing we spread Baptist doctrine and render a great service to the cause of our blessed King.

I think we should begin a campaign to place the denominational paper in every home in Mississippi. We cannot push this work too much and the quicker the campaign is begun the better, for there never was a time when our people should be so concerned in the success of our great Baptist program as now. I feel that the most potent factor that we can send into the homes of the indifferent Christian is a good denominational paper, and you can count on me to help double the number of subscribers in Marion County.

Respectfully submitted,

O. G. MAY.

Report on Church Discipline was read by H. F. Patterson. The report was spoken to by Brethren Simmons and Lightsy. Report was adopted.

CHURCH DISCIPLINE.

Without proper discipline we can have no national government, no state government and no home government. Discipline is the foundation of all family government. To discipline a child in the home means to teach it as to how it may grow up to be a useful citizen.

Church discipline is both Formative and Corrective.

Formative: Romans 15:1.

"We then that are strong ought to bear the infirmities of the weak and not to please ourselves.

For some church members to live a true Christian life is harder than for others. In my opinion we as a church should put more stress upon discipline, especially with the young Christian. Numbers of young people do things a Christian ought not to do because they haven't been taught.

Corrective: 2nd. Thessalonians 3:6.

"Now we command you, brethren, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that ye withdraw yourselves from every brother that walketh disorderly, and not after the traditions which he received of us."

When we find a brother who persists in disorderly conduct we cannot afford not to withdraw ourselves.

In my judgement we should stress more and more this matter of church discipline.

Respectfully submitted,

F. S. HAMMOND.

MARION COUNTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Report on Sunday Schools was read by W. B. Sills and adopted.

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

We hold the Sunday School to be of divine origin, and is here considered as an institution of the church, and that its supreme purpose, and a task is to teach the Word of God, and that this task was imposed upon us by Jehovah himself by enjoining upon us that we teach his Commandment, Statutes and Judgements to the men and women, to the strangers within the gates, and all that could hear with understanding.

The Master was a teacher come from God, and made no mistake when he said to his Disciples, Go Ye Into All The World and Preach the Gospel to Every Creature, Go Ye Therefore and Teach All Nations. Teach the believer that he may become stronger in Faith, and the sinner that he may be saved. To do better teaching we should put more emphasis on teacher training work. The greatest need of the hour is trained teachers.

Special attention should be given to the class organization. The Sunday School Board, through Harry L. Strickland, is doing good work in class organization and our State Secretary, Bro. J. E. Byrd is doing fine work for the S. S. of the State. We believe we are making good progress in the county. Our Sunday School Normals at New Hope and Columbia was well attended, fifty-five diplomas and ninety-five seals, a total of one hundred and fifty rewards was given.

We are glad to report that our 5th Sunday Conventions are well attended, our next meeting will be held with Shiloh Church.

Respectfully Submitted.

W. B. SILLS.

T. C. Griffith was elected as an Associational Representative to the State Convention. Prof. W. Jacobs was elected as an alternate.

Bro. B. B. Coke was elected a delegate from the Association to the Southern Baptist Convention. Miss Jennie Watts was named as alternate.

Report on Prohibition was read by S. H. Pope. The report was adopted.

PROHIBITION.

The word prohibition means more than prohibition against drink; We believe that there are other things just as wrong as strong drink for church members to do:

We believe that we as Christian people aid and assist our officers to enforce the laws against the unlawful making and selling of whiskey:

But we believe the only and best way to rid the county of unlawful making and selling of whiskey, is to convert the "whiskey people," and make them all Christians:

We further believe that if all of the Christian people of Marion County, Baptist Association would take hold and take more interest, in putting down this great evil of making and selling whiskey, that we would have a greater success and in the end a greater Victory.

Respectfully submitted.

J. I. COOPER.

Report on Baptist Hospitals was called for. R. S. Lott who was to prepare the report stated because of sickness he did not have his report completed. He was instructed to get it in before the minutes were made up.

REPORT ON BAPTIST HOSPITAL.

Our Savior gave much time and attention to the sick and suffering.

He went about teaching, preaching and healing. A Christian hospital is certainly carrying out a part of this gospel plan. Christian people all over the country would not give their money to this worthy cause if they did not think so. He healed by a word or by a touch. We heal through skill of a physician or surgeon and the tender ministrations of a nurse.

The apostle says, "We that are strong ought to bear the infirmities of the weak and not to please ourselves." Surely the sick and suffering come under this head, and a hospital is strong in its equipment to bear their infirmities.

Both Baptist Hospital in Jackson and the Baptist Memorial Hospital in Memphis had a splendid year. Improvements have been made in both. Many charity patients were treated in these institutions this year. But those are not Charity Hospitals, and no one should be sent as a charity patient before communicating with the Superintendent for the charity patients must not number more than the pay patients.

Each of these Institutions have splendid nurses, training school, and the best physicians of the land practice in them. We, as Baptist, want to give our hospitals our hearty support.

Respectfully submitted,

R. S. LOTT.

R. D. Brock read report on State Missions. This report had been previously discussed. All the mission reports were adopted at this time.

MISSIONS WITHIN THE STATE.

The mission work within the state has made good progress during the year. While the financial conditions have not been as good as last year, the pastors and the churches and all the working forces of the denomination in the state have rendered splendid service and the various causes have made great strides forward.

Mississippi Baptists have cause to be proud of the work that has been accomplished, but we must not feel by any means that there is nothing else to do. A large vision of our needs and a realization of the tasks that are before us can but lead us on to greater efforts if we are to win the victory.

God has wonderfully blessed the people of the state and more especially those in our section with the material things of life. Our splendid climate, beautiful crops and God fearing people can but be an attraction to war-ridden nations of Europe and home seekers from our neighboring states. Our cut-over lands are the most productive and the cheapest lands in the nation. There are thousands of acres of these lands unsettled. To meet the conditions that are sure to come, we must maintain and strengthen our country churches. A live church in any community is the biggest asset in that community. Our state missions support and look after these churches in various ways.

Through the 75 Million Campaign these various causes are fostered, a very large per cent being raised by the Sunday Schools in their annual State Mission day programs.

Word comes to us that November will be called Reinforcement Month, in which the new members of our churches who did not have an opportunity to have a part in this great program. Our leaders have been very wise in the planning of our various programs. God has wonderfully blessed His churches and people with an abundant harvest of souls. In this time of need will our people be true to their vows and their relations to Him who gave Himself on Calvary's Cross that we might be free?

Let us put our hands to the plough and through the co-operation of our

District missionary whose salary is partly paid through the above sources, may we in our plan of organization endeavor to do greater things for our King than ever before.

Respectfully submitted,

R. D. BROCK.

Robert Pope made the following report on Obituaries:

OBITUARIES.

It grieves us to note the fact that fifteen of our members have gone from among us this year, but as we have committed our lives to God we submit to His will and pray for the grief-stricken and that God may use us mightily in His Kingdom while we remain here.

The following members have died in our association this year:

Antioch—Vardaman Forbes.

Bunker Hill—Levi Bass.

Columbia—J. A. Padgett.

East Columbia—Mrs. Hattie Baggett and Mrs. Mollie Cook.

Foxworth—Mack Smith.

Edna—Mrs. J. N. Askew.

Improve—J. L. Watts, Sr., W. T. Morris and Mrs. J. N. Watts.

New Hope—Mrs. O. B. Rowell and Mrs. Julian Pittman.

Olch—Mrs. Emma Nobles and Jessie Lott.

Shiloh—G. W. Forbes.

ROBERT POPE, Committee.

The report on nominations was read by W. L. Simmons as follows: The Executive Board was settled. One member from each church, is to compose it. This member to be elected by the church.

Missions: W. Jacobs, W. B. Sills and E. I. Watts.

Education: H. F. Patterson, L. J. Stringer and F. S. Hammond.

Social Service: R. D. Brock, Ira Rayborn and S. H. Pope.

Order of Business: L. R. Bush, O. G. May and F. L. Smith.

The Committee on time and place made the following report:

Time—Friday before Second Sunday in September, 1923.

Place—Bunker Hill.

Preacher—Rev. B. B. Coke.

Alternate—Rev. V. C. Walker.

A statistical report was read by S. H. Pope. This report will be found in the Statistical Tables.

The Committee on Resolutions read the following:

We, your Committee, on Resolutions, beg to submit the following.

Resolved that the Marion County Baptist Association do hereby thank the good people of Foxworth for their hospitality and for every effort they have put forth to make the Association a success. The Association is especially indebted to the ladies for preparing the bountiful dinners they have.

The Association feels especially in debt to Brethren Quinsenberry, Gunter, Quin, Lightsey and Carter for their presence and able addresses.

L. J. STRINGER,

J. F. SPENCE.

MRS. T. D. COX.

There being no further business the Association adjourned until the next meeting, September 7, 1923.

T. D. COX, Moderator,
JENNIE WATTS, Clerk.

MARION COUNTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

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MEMBERSHIP TABLE.

CHURCHES	PASTORS	CLERKS	Total Membership						
			Last Year	This Year	By Deaths	By Exclusion	By Letter	Incr.	Time of Preaching
Antioch	V. C. Walker, Kokomo	Ellis Boyls, Foxworth, R1	1814	3					
Bunker Hill	J. B. Quin, Prentiss	C. L. Robbins, Columbia, R1	1882	3					
Cedar Grove	W. R. Cooper, Columbia	E. R. Applewhite, Columbia, R1	1882	3					
Clear Creek	R. P. McDowell, Sumrall R	W. H. Powell, Baxterville R	1888	3					
Columbia	W. R. Cooper, Columbia	Jennie Watts, Columbia	1883	all					
East Columbia	W. R. Cooper, Columbia	R. F. Alexander, Columbia R2	1919	4					
Edna	T. D. Cox, Columbia, R	Warren Cook, Columbia, R2	1908	3					
Foxworth	B. B. Coke, Foxworth	W. B. Sills, Foxworth	2	20					
Goss	J. E. Sullivan, Columbia R	Clark Robertson, Goss	4	20					
Holly Springs	T. L. Everett, Clinton	T. R. Beard, Foxworth, R	3	2					
Hurricane Creek	J. L. Watts, Columbia R3	W. R. Fortenberry, Sandy Hook	1	3					
Improve	J. L. Watts, Columbia R3	W. M. McArthur, Columbia R	1913	1					
New Hope	V. C. Walker, Kokomo	A. C. Mullins, Foxworth, R	1902	4					
Kokomo	T. D. Cox, Columbia R1	H. M. Williamson	1872	2					
Oloh	T. D. Cox, Columbia R1	G. W. Lott, Sumrall R4	4	1					
Sandy Hook	B. B. Coke, Foxworth	H. H. Forbes, Sandy Hook	1902	6					
Shiloh	V. C. Walker, Kokomo	E. L. Williamson, Tylertown R3	1903	1					
White Bluff	B. B. Coke, Foxworth	M. M. Branton, White Bluff	3	3					
Total			140	424	151	6	17	3182	2873

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SUNDAY SCHOOL TABLE

CHURCHES	SUPERINTENDENTS	SECRETARIES	Contributions				
			No. Baptized from Sunday School	No. Church Members	No. Pupils Enrolled	Officers and Teachers	
Antioch	Ellis Boyles, Foxworth, R 1	Miss Lillie Williamson, Foxworth, R 1	\$10.00		60	6	
Bunker Hill	W. M. Brewer, Columbia, R 1	Miss Jewel Cox, Columbia, R 1	\$27.11		81	8	
Cedar Grove	J. P. Breakfield, Goss	G. M. Rankin, Goss					
Clear Creek							
Columbia	R. D. Brock, Columbia	R. R. Griffith, Columbia			550	49	
East Columbia	R. F. Alexander, Columbia, R 1	Miss Myrtis Singley, Columbia, R 2	4882.04		93	10	
Felina	J. I. Cooper, Columbia, R 2	Warren Cook, Columbia, R 2	1100.00		46	6	
Foxworth	J. A. Holmes, Foxworth	Murry Graham, Foxworth	12.00		97	10	
Goss	Clark Robertson, Goss	Mrs. V. Carmichael, Goss	167.79		81	8	
Holly Springs	C. F. Lowe, Morgantown		17.55		40	6	
Hurricane Creek	R. S. Lott, Sandy Hook, R 1	Mrs. Addie McKenzie, Sandy Hook, R 1					
Improve	E. I. Watts, Columbia, R 1	Vertis Powell, Columbia, R 3					
Kokomo							
New Hope	A. C. Mullens, Foxworth, R 1	Mrs. Ruby Mullins, Foxworth, R 1			62	6	
Oloh	L. J. Stringer, Sunrall, R 4	Miss Verlee Lott, Sunrall, R 4	16.80		50	6	
Sandy Hook	J. W. Hart, Sandy Hook	Miss Allene Forbes, Sandy Hook	8.50		109	9	
Shiloh	E. L. Williamson, Tyertown, R 13	Miss Evie Turnage, Tyertown, R 3	320.00		77	6	
White Bluff	W. M. Roy, White Bluff	Miss Katie May, White Bluff	10.00		40	4	
TOTAL			731561.73		1435	130	

STATISTICAL TABLE

CHURCHES	Total Contributions	Other Objects	Incidentals	Ministerial Relief	Minute Fund	The Poor	Sunday Schools and B. Y. P. U.	75 Million Campaign	Building & Repairs	Visiting Ministers	Pastor's Salary	Value of Pastor's Home	Value of Church Property	
Antioch	133.00	14.15			3.00	15.00	8.00	202.50			125		\$1000.00	
Bunker Hill	224.85				12.50		27.11	36.00		55.89	300		\$1500.00	
Cedar Grove	102.75				5.00		2.80			31.00	150		\$1000.00	
Clear Creek	10381.94				2.50					27.75	75		\$1200.00	
Columbia	418.80	6.30	2.50		20.00	25.50	882.04	4225.93	361.22	1300.00	3000	2500	\$25000.00	
East Columbia	212.70	16.35			5.00	10.00	100.00	100	3.35	59.00	200		\$3000.00	
Edna	963.87		3.87		3.00		15.00	150.00		25.50	100		\$600.00	
Foxworth	248.30	25.00				8.00	17.50	400.00		60.00	500	1200	\$1000.00	
Goss	175.00							9.00		36.30	150		\$1000.00	
Holly Springs	152.96				5.26			47.70		50.00	125		\$400.00	
Hurricane Creek	699.50					10.00		172.00		87.50	400		\$2250.00	
Improve	285.00		5.00		3.75		20.00		20.00	40.00	200		\$8000.00	
Kokomo	194.80				1.00		16.80			50.00	128		\$3000.00	
New Hope	221.50				3.00			7.50		36.00	175		\$1000.00	
Oloh	275.00				5.00	30.00	20.00			70.00	150		\$2000.00	
Sandy Hook	162.00				5.60		10.00	5.00	5.00	27.00	125		\$500.00	
Shiloh	195.00							25.00		45.00	125		\$1000.00	
White Bluff													No Bldg.	
TOTAL	\$53450.00	3700	6128	2000	74	389.57	5281.60	1139.25	98.50	74.61	225	364.12	61.80	15651.57

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ANNUAL COMMITTEES

MISSIONS—T. C. Griffith, Rev. V. C. Walker, Mrs. G. M. Parker and Errol Smith.

SOCIAL SERVICE—Messrs. M. T. Renfro, Albert Singley, W. B. Sills and Victor Fortenberry.

EDUCATION—Prof. F. S. Hammond, L. J. Stringer, E. I. Watts and Rev. J. B. Hemphill.

NEXT MEETING.

Time—Friday and Saturday before and including the Second Sunday in September, 1924.

Place—Shiloh

Preacher—Rev. V. C. Walker.

Alternate—Rev. J. B. Hemphill.

Proceedings.

Bunker Hill Church, Sept. 7, 1923.

The Marion County Baptist Association convened in one hundred and fourth Annual Session, with Bunker Hill church at 10:30 a. m., Sept. 7, 1923. In the absence of the Moderator and Treasurer, the Clerk Miss Jennie Watts called the meeting to order.

Song, How Firm A Foundation, was sung, after which Rev. J. L. Watts conducted the devotional. Following this the Association went into the election of officers for another year, which resulted as follows: Moderator, Prof. W. Jacobs; Treasuer, C. L. Robins; Clerk, Miss Jenie Watts.

The newly elected moderator took the chair and after expressing his appreciation of the Confidence the Association had in him appointed the following Committee on Order of Business:- Rev. J. L. Watts, O. G. May and J. A. Bilbo.

The Associational letters were called for and the following named delegates were enrolled:

Antioch—Miss Lillie Williams.

Bunker Hill—M. F. Thompson, M. T. Renfro, G. C. Cox, Cullen Morris, C. L. Robins and Miss Vesta Carter.

Cedar Grove—Mr. and Mrs. John McDaniel and J. P. Breakfield.

Clear Creek—J. A. Bilbo, Mrs. Jack Davis and Miss Lydia Davis.

Columbia—Rev. W. R. Cooper, W. L. Simmons, T. C. Griffith, I. B. Purvis, F. S. Hammond, Mr. and Mrs. John Watts, Mrs. B. F. Harris and Wm. Bass,

East Columbia—Mr. and Mrs. R. F. Alexander, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Singley. Edna—Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Cook, Miss Daisy Williams, Mr. and Mrs. Tom

White.

Foxworth—Rev. B. B. Coke.

Goss—Emmett Williamson, Clark Robertson and G. W. Hitt.

Holly Springs—Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Beard.

Hurricane Creek—W. R. Fortenberry.

Improve—John Singley, Rev. J. L. Watts and Morrison Burt.

Kokomo—H. S. Ginn and H. M. Williamson.

New Hope—A. C. Mullins, E. J. Pittman and Mrs. Heilen Pittman.

Oloh—Prof. L. J. Stringer and Alvin Lott.

Sandy Hook—Mr. and Mrs. Jessie Warren and Miss Zellie Pigott.

Shiloh—H. D. Pittman.

White Bluff—O. G. May.

Report on order of business was read by O. G. May.

Song—"My Faith Looks Up To Thee."

Prayer—Rev. J. L. Watts.

The Associational sermon was preached by Rev. B. B. Coke. His subject was: "A Progressive Kingdom." His text was taken from Luke 2:52, "And

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Jesus increased in wisdom and stature and in favor with God and man."

The association was adjourned for lunch with prayer by Rev. B. B. Coke.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON

Song—"All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name."

Song—"Jesus Is all the World to Me."

The devotional was conducted by Rev. W. R. Cooper. He read John 15:1-10 and remarked on it.

Prayer—Rev. B. B. Coke.

The moderator appointed the following Committees:

Finance—M. T. Renfro, A. C. Mullins, W. H. Cook.

Obituary—Albert Singley, E. P. Beard and W. R. Fortenberry.

At this time the Associational letters were read. Rev. W. R. Cooper and C. L. Robins were appointed readers.

The Association recognized Rev. J. B. Hemphill who has recently moved into the Association.

A motion was made and carried that the body send Rev. T. D. Cox a telegram for his faithful service as moderator for the past seventeen years, but now removed to Jackson. It was also moved and carried that the Cler. be instructed to send this message.

The Committee on order of business for the next day was read and adopted.

Song—"When I can Read My Title Clear."

The report of the Committee on Education, as outlined by the State Mission Board, was read by Prof. L. J. Stringer and discussed by Brethren Cooper, Jacobs and Hemphill. The report was voted down.

Brethren Stringer and Hemphill were appointed to bring in a report on Education the following day.

The moderator appointed the following committee on Committees:-

Rev. W. R. Cooper, G. C. Cox and Mrs. Rosa McNeese.

Mr. Robt. McNeese, chairman of the entertainment committee, read out the homes the delegates had been assigned to. All visitors were urged to remain over night.

A motion to adjourn until Saturday morning at 9 o'clock was carried.

Song—"Help Somebody Today."

Closing Prayer—Rev. J. B. Hemphill.

SATURDAY MORNING.

Song—"The Comforter Has Come."

Song—"Near The Cross."

Rev. J. B. Hemphill conducted the devotional period.

The revised report on Christian Education was read by Prof. Stringer.

The report was spoken to by Brethren Stringer, Cooper and Jacobs. The report was adopted.

REPORT ON EDUCATION.

The most profound, the most far reaching, and tremendous force in this

world which shapes the destinies of men and fixes the trend of human affairs is Christian Education

As a people, Baptists stand today for the best possible teaching and training for the whole people. Our very principles lead us inevitably to an unwavering belief in universal education.

Baptist democracy certainly means equal privileges for all on the basis that all are entitled to the best of which they are capable, simply because of the inherent rights which pertain to human beings. With Baptists as with the Lord, there should be no respecter of persons.

We call special attention to the schools of our State under the control of Baptists. These are our schools: For women, Woman's College and Blue Mountain College; Clarke Memorial College for both young men and young women; and Mississippi College, our great A-1 College for men. Also Hillman College for girls, not directly, but indirectly under control of the Baptist denomination.

Since practically all of the preparation for entrance into our denominational schools must be had in the public schools of the State, it would seem to be the part of wisdom for our people to see to it that only active christian teachers are employed in our schools. In our humble opinion there should be no doubt as to whether any person not an active christian ought to teach in any schools. Baptists pay a large part of the taxes of the State, and they have a perfect right to insist that the teachers should be of the highest type of christian character. The committee recommends to all trustees of public schools to make a thorough investigation of the christian character of all teachers employed.

We desire to call special attention of our Association to the Baptist Bible Institute of New Orleans. It behooves us as Baptists to see to it that this Association is strongly represented in that Institution.

We believe that all our denominational interests, the vital interest of universal education, and the best interests of the State will all be best served by making our schools just as great and efficient as money and men and Baptist ideals of democracy can make them. Therefore, we call upon our people everywhere to pray for, to give to, and to send to these schools in ever increasing numbers their sons and daughters.

Respectfully submitted,

J. L. STRINGER, Chairman,
J. B. HEMPHILL.

The report on Missions, as suggested by the State Mission Board, was read and spoken to by Rev. W. R. Cooper and Prof. W. Jacobs. A committee will be named later to condense this report.

Song—"S and Up For Jesus."

Prayer—Rev. J. O. Buckley.

Sermon—Rev. W. R. Cooper. His subject was: "God's Plan in the World's Redemption." He read from the scripture Gen. 12:3; John 15:12; Eph 2:10.

W. D. Dunnaway, of Morgantown, was given the privilege of the floor.

The Committee to Condense the Mission report was named as follows: Rev. J. O. Buckley, C. L. Robins and J. A. Bilbo.

The meeting was adjourned for lunch with prayer by Rev. J. L. Watts.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON

Song—"The Promised Land."

The Committees were asked to withdraw and complete their reports. Mr. W. L. Simmons was elected a delegate to the Southern Baptist Convention.

W. R. Fortenberry made the report on obituaries.

It grieves us to note the fact that about fifteen of our members have gone from among us this year, but as we have committed our lives to God we submit to his will, and pray Gods blessings on the grief stricken, and that He may use us all mightily in His Kingdom while we remain here.

OUR DEAD.

Sister Alice Yawn, Shiloh Church.

Sister Blanche Powell, New Hope Church.

Brother J. A. Williams, Improve Church.

Brother Jabus Warren, Hurrican Crëck Church.

Brother Tilman Warren, Hurrican Creek Church.

Sister Essie Taylor, Goss Church.

Brothern G. W. Jones, Goss Church.

Sister George Rhaden, Columbia Church.

Sister John Testin, Columbia Church.

Sister Frank Welch, Columbia Church.

Sister Dora Palmer, Columbia Church.

Brother W. C. Mobley, Columbia Church.

Brother J. L. Holliday, Columbia Church.

Brother H. B. Grice, Bunker Hill Church.

Sister Elizabeth Bass, Bunker Hill Church.

Sister Nancy Holmes, Antioch Church.

Rev. W. R. Cooper lead in prayer for the friends and relatiyes of the deccased.

The report on Order of Program was made by Rev. J. L. Watts. This Committee recommended that the plan used this year be adopted for another year. After long discussion the motcion to adopt this report was lost.

Song—"Jesus Saves."

Bro. B. B. Coke sent his thanks to the Association for sending him to the Southern Baptist Convention.

W. L. Simmons read his report on Social Service. The report was

spoken to by Mr. Simmons. A motion to adopt the report after it had been culled was carried.

REPORT ON SOCIAL SERVICE IN GENERAL.

Social Service is applied Christianity. It is following the example of our Savior "who went about doing good." It is exemplifying that pure and undefiled religion which visits the fatherless and widows in their affliction. It is meeting the challenge of love as given in 1 John 3:17. But who so hath this world's goods, and see his brother have need and shutteth up his bowels of compassion from him, how dwelleth the love of God in him?

Social Service is putting the leaven of the Gospel into the whole social lump until society is purified therewith. It is the process of weaving into our social fabric the warp and woof of Christianity.

Social Service is that part of our Baptist program which seeks to deal with crime, immorality, poverty, disease and everything that concerns society as a whole. It looks beyond the case of individual need to the cause of that need and its effect upon society.

Social problems must be met and mastered not only by the churches as such, but by the Christian Citizenship which gathers into and grows out of the churches of Jesus Christ.

Christian citizens deal with these problems: 1—through preventive measures, sanitation, hygiene, law enforcement; 2—through corrective measures, prisons, asylums, reformatories; and 3—through relief measures, hospitals, orphanages, Good Will Centers, care of old preachers, etc.

Every agency that seeks to deal with these problems along lines consistent with Baptist principles should have the heartiest co-operation of our churches.

The work of the State Board of Health, under direction of Dr. W. S. Leathers, Jackson, is an agency whose splendid work should have the intelligent co-operation of our people. Your committee would urge the pastors and churches to study the great work of this department and give to it every assistance possible.

The Mississippi Children's Home Society, located at Jackson, of which Rev. John L. Sutton is Superintendent, is the greatest single agency in the state for the care of dependent children.

It is estimated that there are about 12,000 neglected and dependent children in the State of Mississippi. About 5,200 of this number would be classed as cripples, sub-normal and feeble-minded. 6,800 of this number are prospectively normal provided they are transplanted and engrafted into the proper homes where they would get the love and attention that is necessary for them to develop into good men and women. 50 per cent of this number are negro children, leaving about 3,500 white children who are prospectively normal. The Institutional plan is caring for about 800 of this number, leaving about 2,600 white children who are prospectively normal but neglected and dependent. We estimate that there are between 91,000 and 100,000 good homes in the State that could adopt and raise a child as it should be raised. This is the work that this society hopes

to bring to pass. Every childless home should be open to receive and care for one of these little ones.

Your committee would recommend that our pastors and churches give the most sympathetic co-operation to the work of this society. Invite its superintendent to visit your church and explain his work. He is a splendid Christian man who is giving his life to the welfare of dependent children.

STATE SOCIAL SERVICE INSTITUTIONS.

Mississippi Baptist Orphanage, J. R. Carter, Superintendent.

The effort put forth by Christian people in saving and training children are the most effective efforts for citizenship and for Kingdom building. We should give more adequate support both financial and moral to all the child welfare agencies that are working for the betterment of neglected children.

We feel that much has been done through the efforts of our Baptist Orphanage, and commend it and its work to the prayerful consideration and support of our churches and Sunday Schools. We would urge that through the remainder of our present program (the 75 Million Campaign) our people seek to redeem their pledges and thus take care of the Orphanage, and all other subjects fostered by our denomination.

More than a thousand children have been cared for and trained by our Baptist Orphanage and have gone out to take their places in society, and in our Kingdom work. Less than one percent of this number has become a menace to society, or made shipwreck of life.

We have had an average in our Orphanage during the year of 170 children. We learn from our management that the health of the children has been good, and that their efforts have been attended with a good degree of prosperity, and success. We would urge the loyal and hearty co-operation of all of our people that all the needs of the institution may be provided for.

MISSISSIPPI BAPTIST HOSPITAL,—R. S. Curry, Superintendent.

The past year has been perhaps the most important year in the growth and development of the Baptist Hospital in its whole history.

BAPTIST MEMORIAL HOSPITAL,—Joseph Purvis, Superintendent.

The work of the hospital moved forward steadily during the first six months of 1923. The aim has been to keep the work up to the standard and make improvements in organization and operation. The second floor was put into use for patients during this period.

Patronage continues to increase, as shown by the following figures: Patients admitted 5,399 (as against 4,168 for same period last year), of these 602 came from Arkansas, 3,745 from Tennessee, 909 from Mississippi and 143 from other states. 468 of these were cared for in the charity departments, 80 from Arkansas, 292 from Tennessee, 62 from Mississippi, and 34 from other states.

The religious life of the institution, among patients and nurses, moves on as heretofore. A Volunteer Band has recently been organized in the Training School, through the influence of the Inter-Board Commission in Student activities. The Woman's Auxiliary of the hospital keeps up its

active and useful service, both in and out of the hospital. They deserve the co-operation of the Baptist women in the three states.

GOOD WILL CENTER.

Mississippi has but one Good Will Center. This is located in the mill district of Meridian. It is directly under the management of Miss Willie Mae McLellan, a graduate of the Louisville Training School. Miss McLellan lives in the Good Will Center Home where she has one assistant. Together they look after this home, where they do their own housekeeping, where they have a day nursery for children whose mothers work out, and where the various clubs of the Good Will Center hold their meetings. The building is not large but the hall for public meetings is commodious and attractive. Miss McLellan works out from this Center in all portions of the city. She does this by personal visits and by the use of the telephone; which, by the way is one of the most useful implements in this part of the city for it is so placed that it may be used night and day; and is scarcely a night that hurry calls are not made over it for either physician or hospital.

THE RELIEF AND ANNUITY BOARD,—Wm. Lunsford, Cor.Sec'y.

In May 1920 the total assets of the Relief and Annuity Board amounted to \$162,123.10. In May 1923 the total had reached \$1,490,193.59.

Our aim is to persuade our people to make it clear to the minister that after he has given himself whole-heartedly to the work, and spent himself freely, in his ministry, that if he should fall in his work, or die in it, or grow old in it, the denomination will not permit his family to suffer nor him to suffer in his declining years. We want to make our young preachers feel that the denomination has thus spoken to them, and that they can accept its word at par. To do this will put new life in our preachers, greatly increase their efficiency, and the denomination would be the real beneficiary.

Your committee would urge the people everywhere to pay their pledges to the Campaign so that the aid now being given to these old heroes of the Cross may be materially increased.

S. H. POPE.

Rev. W. R. Cooper, G. C. Cox and Mrs. Lillie Williams were appointed a committee to bring recommendations as to order of the program for another year.

Mr. Robins called for delegates and assigned them to homes.

The Association was adjourned until 9:30, at Sunday School Sunday morning, with prayer by Rev. J. L. Watts.

MARION COUNTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

SUNDAY MORNING.

Song—"All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name."

Song—"Amazing Grace."

Devotional—Conducted by Rev. T. D. Cox.

Prayer—Rev. A. F. O'Kelly.

The following letter was read from Rev. J. G. Chastain, who is working among the Spanish speaking people in Florida:-

Ybor City, Tampa, Fla., Sept. 4, 1923.

To the officers and members of the Marion County Baptist Association when assembled at Bunker Hill Church, greeting:

Dear Brethren:

I note in the Baptist Record the time and place of your approaching meeting. I should be greatly delighted to meet with you and enjoy your fellowship and participate in your deliberations. The churches which compose Marion County Association have a high record and a glorious history. Their founders were the very elect of God. Most of them have passed over the river, the good work which they so wisely began is today being carried on by their children and grand children. Their sainted spirits may look down on you with pride and delight as you call the roll of the churches, and read the reports of the work you have done for the Master during the past year. The noble men and women of our churches in Marion and adjoining counties have ever been progressive, never willing to take a second place. Their example has ever seemed as a healthy stimulus to each other and to other churches and Associations who observed their methods and their success. The high standard which you have attained has in no sense been accidental. It has resulted mainly from two causes, the thorough organization and hearty co-operation of all your membership, old and young, male and female. Your people have "had a mind to work," and God has honored and prospered you. You have not only won multitudes to Christ; you have trained them for service. Your people first gave themselves to the Lord, then they found it easy to give their time, their money and their lives. How I should be delighted to be with you and hear reports from the organized Men's Classes, the W. M. U., B. Y. P. U., Sunday Schools, etc. I was once member there with you and still feel like I belong to you. Though absent in person I shall be praying for you during the Association.

My own health is good and my work here among the Spaniards, Cubans and Mexicans is prosperous. I ask an interest in your prayers. May the God of all grace make for you the coming year the greatest in all your brilliant history. With a heart full of Christian love for each and every one of you.

Most cordially and affectionately,

J. G. CHASTAIN.

Dr. A. F. O'Kelley, of Hazelhurst, was recognized.

The Sunday School work was discussed here by: Rev. V. C. Walker, Pres. Stringer, Mrs. Williams, Bro Cox, Miss Watts, J. A. Bilbo, W. Jacobs and T. C. Griffith.

Song—"There Is A Fountain Filled with Blood."

Rev. A. F. O'Kelley, representative of the State Mission Board, read

the following resolutions, which the Association adopted. The officers were asked to sign their names:

RESOLUTION.

Whereas, the wisdom of a united effort on the part of the Southern Baptists has been so clearly demonstrated during the past four years, as evidenced by the unprecedented progress which has been made in kingdom work, and;

Whereas, our people have seen the wisdom of budgeting the work of the denomination so as to provide regularly and adequately for all worthy causes, and;

Whereas, we have seen the value of a worthy financial objective or goal in our plan to raise 75 Million Dollars in five years, and;

Whereas, we have seen the need for canvassing the churches annually in order to enlist the new converts who are coming in every year and of re-enlisting those who move during the year, and;

Whereas, we have been more thoroughly impressed with the need of regular and systematic giving all through the year, and;

Whereas, we as a denomination, must continue to go forward; and to go forward we must look ahead and plan ahead;

Be it therefore, resolved that we the Marion County Baptist Association in annual convention assembled, signify our approval of:

1. A united south-wide movement following the close of the 75 Million Campaign to raise funds with which to carry on our mission, social service, and educational work.

2. A budget for all mission, social service, and educational work; same to be divided and distributed on a percentage basis in proportion to the relative need and merits of the various causes fostered by the denomination.

3. A five year financial objective, same to be not less than \$75,000,000 for five years—the amount to be determined by the sum total of the conservative claims of the various causes, after each shall have made a careful survey of its needs and future plans.

4. An annual appeal for pledges which will insure a thorough canvass of all the members of all the churches once a year.

5. A united effort for teaching Stewardship and Budget Plan for denominational and local work of the Baptists of our state.

6. An ample period of time to insure thorough preparation for the program which shall follow the 75 Million Campaign.

By order of the Marion County Baptist Association, Marion County, Mississippi, September 9th, 1923.

W. JACOBS, Moderator.

JENNIE WATTS, Clerk.

Dr. A. F. O'Kelley preached a great sermon on Missions. His subject was: "Our World Wide Task." He based his sermon on the following scripture passages: Luke 24:49 and Acts 8:1-3.

The meeting was adjourned for the noon hour with prayer by Rev. V. C. Walker.

SUNDAY AFTERNOON

Song—"Where He Leads Me."

Song—"I Need The Every Hour."

Prayer—T. C. Griffith.

The revised report on Missions was read by Rev. J. O. Buckley and adopted.

MISSIONS.

The word Missions, in its broadest sense, covers the field of Christian activity, from the work of calling sinners to repentance to that of marshalling the forces, and that of functioning in every cause fostered by our denomination. In this report, for convenience, we purpose dealing with this subject under three general heads, viz. First, State Missions; second, Home Missions; third, Foreign Missions.

Our State Mission work is divided into several departments. 1. Sunday Schools, under the leadership of Bro. J. E. Byrd. 2. W. M. U., under Miss Margaret Lackey. 3. B. Y. P. U., Brother A. J. Wilds, 4. Enlistment, our enlistment men. 5. Publication, under Dr. P. I. Lipsey. 6. Church Extension Work. Under this heading we note the following results: 1237 diplomas issued, 5077 seals for the completion of other books in course; 66 training schools in town and rural communities. The number of W. M. S. reported, 771; with a growing interest along this line of work. B. Y. P. U. Work has steadily grown. We now have in this state 700 B. Y. P. Us.

Our enlistment men visited 1081 churches, held 1326 services, organized 1382 Sunday Schools, and added much in every way in encouraging the work along other lines of Christian service.

We can not lay too much stress on the work and importance of our Baptist paper, edited by Dr. P. I. Lipsey. The Record is the only direct organ of our denomination through which Baptist news reach the rank and file of our forces.

Home Missions—The work which the Home Mission Board is doing consists of work in mountain schools, meeting foreigners at our ports with the word of God, work among the Indians, negroes, Cuba and the Panama Canal. Baptisms reported this year, 38,770. We have abundant reason to be thankful to God for his blessings upon this field of work. Home Missions is one of our great agencies and factors in making the South a mighty Baptist empire.

Foreign Missions—We now have 891 churches in the sixteen foreign lands. 211 of these are self-supporting and 442 own their own houses of worship. In addition to these churches there are 2896 outstanding stations where God's word is preached regularly. Last year was the crowning year in baptisms, 12,611 having been baptized. We have now 501 foreign missionaries, and 2820 native missionaries, almost twice as many foreign missionaries and almost four times as many natives as we had at the beginning of the 75 Million Campaign.

The practical suggestion at this critical time, when the Board is burdened with debt, overwhelmed by the growth of the work and appalled by

vast unmet needs, is that everyone should do his utmost to pay his 75 Million Campaign pledge in full this year.

Signed:

J. O. BUCKLEY,
C. L. ROBBINS,
J. A. BILBO.

The B. Y. P. U. phase of Missions was spoken to by I. B. Purvis; the W. M. U. work by Mrs. B. F. Harris.

The discussion of Social service was again taken up. Rev. T. D. Cox told of the work of the Baptist Orphanage. J. A. Bilbo and W. Jacobs; also spoke to the report. The report was adopted.

The report on program for another year was read by Rev. W. R. Cooper, and discussed by Bro. Cooper. The report was adopted as follows:

REPORT ON PROGRAM

We, your committee, offer the following report on Program for another year.

First, that we divide the subjects of discussion into three parts: Missions, Education and Social Service.

On the subject of Missions one man shall be responsible for its report. But that man shall have at least four men to assist him in reading a report or making a speech on our various religious institutions; thus making plain our Denominational schools and their advantages.

That a man be appointed to write on the subject of Missions and have at least three men associated with him to write a report or discuss the subject of Home Missions, State Missions and Foreign Missions.

And Social Service likewise. One man shall write a report and have three or more associated with him to write or discuss the Orphanage, Hospitals, and old preachers, etc. Also, that the chairmen of the committees shall each preside as his subjects are being discussed.

Also, that each chairman shall have a conference with his committee before the Association, so as to have all in readiness for the coming Association.

Signed by the Committee,

W. R. COOPER,
G. C. COX,
LILLIE WILLIAMSON.

The Committee further recommend that one day be given each of these Committees. Friday be given to Social Service; Saturday be given to Education and Sunday be given to missions.

Also that the following persons be on the various Committees:

Missions—T. C. Griffith, Rev. V. C. Walker, Mrs. G. M. Parker and Errol Smith.

Social Service—T. M. Renfro, Albert Singley, W. B. Sills and Victor Fortenberry.

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Education—F. S. Hammond, L. J. Stringer, E. I. Watts and Rev. J. B. Hemphill

The report of this committee was adopted.

T. M. Renfro reported for the Financial Committee that there had been turned in to him \$75.21 on the minute fund. There were 14 churches that had a part in this.

The resolution Committee submitted the following resolutions, read by T. C. Griffith. The report was adopted.

We, your committee, on Resolutions, beg to submit the following:

Resolved that the Marion County Baptist Association does hereby thank the good people of Bunker Hill for their hospitality and for every effort they have put forth to make the Association a success. The Association is especially indebted to the ladies for preparing the bountiful dinners they have

The Association feels especially in debt to Dr. A. F. O'Kelley, of Hazelhurst, for his presence and message.

V. C. WALKER,
MRS. ELZIE WILLIAMS,
T. C. GRIFFITH.

Song—"Stand Up For Jesus."

H. C. Patterson, from Hub, was recognized. He spoke in behalf of the Hub Church, asking that the Association receive them into their fellowship. Motion carried to receive them.

The County organizer, Rev. W. R. Cooper, urged the churches to adopt the plan in the Fall Round Up Campaign that the State Mission Board recommended.

On motion the Association adjourned to meet with Shiloh Baptist Church on Friday before the Second Sunday in September, 1924.

W. JACOBS, Moderator.
MISS JENNIE WATTS, Clerk.

MEMBERSHIP TABLE

CHURCHES	PASTORS	CLERKS	When Organized	Time of Preaching	Incr'se			Decr'se			Total Membership Last Year	Total Membership This Year	
					By Letter	By Restoration	By Profession	By Letter	By Expulsion	By Death			
Antioch	V. C. Walker, Kokomo		1814	1	1	1	2	2	9	2	1	138	130
Banker Hill	J. O. Buckley, Prentiss	C. L. Robbins, Columbia, R.	1882	2	2	2	6	3	12	15	2	279	275
Cedar Grove	W. R. Cooper, Columbia	W. S. Fortenberry, Columbia, R. 1	1892	2	2	2	3	3	3	3	3	82	80
Cedar Creek	J. H. Cothene, Poplarville	W. H. Powell, Baxterville	1892	4	4	4	10	1	12	4	106	84	
Columbia	W. R. Cooper, Columbia	Jennie Watts, Columbia	1883	11	61	2	66	35	6	1045	955		
East Columbia	B. B. Coke, Foxworth	R. F. Alexander, Columbia, R. 2	1919	2	4	7	7	7	7	7	7	92	85
Edna	V. C. Walker, Kokomo	Warren Cook, Hub	1908	3	5	8	3	3	3	3	3	75	65
Foxworth	B. B. Coke, Foxworth	W. B. Sills, Foxworth	1908	2	4	8	5	7	5	7	156	150	
Goss	C. H. Mize, Silver Creek	W. C. Robertson, Goss	1889	1	1	1	2	8	2	2	210	220	
Holly Springs	T. L. Everett, D'Lo	T. R. Beard, Foxworth R.	1870	1	1	7	3	3	3	3	70	60	
Hurricane Creek	J. L. Watts, Columbia, R. 3	W. R. Fortenberry, Sandy Hook	1943	1	1	2	2	2	2	2	127	129	
Improve	J. L. Watts, Columbia, R. 3	W. M. McCarthur, Columbia	1902	2	4	3	13	4	1	259	246		
New Hope	V. C. Walker, Kokomo	W. L. McKenzie, Cheraw	1872	2	4	4	4	4	7	1	246	254	
Kokomo	V. C. Walker, Kokomo	H. M. Williamson, Kokomo	1913	4	4	4	4	4	5	3	115	112	
Oloh	T. D. Cox, Columbia, R. 1	Miss Tina Lott, Sumrall	1902	4	1	8	5	4	3	81	82		
Sandy Hook	B. B. Coke, Foxworth	J. J. Forbes, Sandy Hook	1893	2	1	15	1	15	1	156	151		
Shiloh	V. C. Walker, Kokomo	E. L. Williamson, Tybertown R.											
White Bluff	B. B. Coke, Foxworth	M. M. Branton, White Bluff											
TOTAL			127	7	173	106	316	331	63	139			

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STATISTICAL TABLE

CHURCHES	Value of church property	Value of pastors home	Pastors salary	Visiting minister	Building and repairs	75 Million Campaign	Sunday School and B. Y. P. U.	The poor	Minute Fund	Ministerial Relief	Incidentals	Other	Total Contributions
Antioch	600		125 00	80 45			12 68	3 00			2 70	6 90	220 00
Bunker Hill	1000		300 00	56 41		201 92	28 90	8 42	10 00				615 25
Cedar Grove	500		150 00	41 15		37 00	10 00	35 5	4 00				276 40
Cedar Creek	1500		147 85	60 00	36 95								244 8
Columbia	25000	2500 00	3000 00	1196 40	1321 97	4246 25	833 44	165 20	20 00		17 40	561 20	8558 91
East Columbia	2000		200 00	82 00		95 00	66 00		5 00		2 00		
Edna	1000		100 00			50 00			1 85			2 95	153 70
Foxworth	600		600 00	71 00		100 00	25 25						796 25
Goss	1200		180 00	40 00		24 50	13 91		4 00				239 91
Holly Springs	500		125 00										1 5 00
Hurricane Creek	2500		125 00	30 00		36 37	22 50		5 00				218 80
Improve	9900		400 00	68 10	5000 00	85 00	35 00		5 40				5593 50
New Hope	3000		200 00		100 00	31 00	28 00				2 75	4 75	360 40
Kokomo	1000		142 75	32 03		81 50	13 25	20 00	2 00				291 50
Oloh	2000		175 00	44 50		12 27			3 00				345 77
Sandy Hook	500		175 00	95 00									270 00
Shilch	1000		125 00	30 00		93 00	15 35						170 30
White Bluff													
TOTAL	51900	2500 00	6095 50	1829 61	6458 72	5204 84	1103 35	231 67	59 85		22 10	575 86	18846 58

SUNDAY SCHOOL TABLE.

CHURCHES	SUPERINTENDENTS	SECRETARIES	Officers and Teachers	No. Pupils Enrolled	Church Mbrs. in S. S.	No Baptisms in S. S.	No. T. & O. Dept. Seals	Contributions
Antioch	C. M. Copeland, Foxworth R.	Miss Lillie Williams, Foxworth	7	55		8	4	12 00
Bunker Hill	M. T. Renfro, Columbia R. 1	Miss Mary Robins, Columbia R. 1	14	119			14	20 90
Cedar Grove	J. P. Breakfield, Goss	G. M. Rankin, Goss, R	6	34		3	2	10 00
Cedar Creek								
Columbia	T. C. Griffith, Columbia	R. R. Griffith, Columbia	64	497	350	58	64	883 44
East Columbia	R. F. Alexander, Columbia, R. 2	A. D. Tolar, Columbia, R. 2	9	79		7	6	10 00
Edna	Warren Cook, Hub, R. 1	Buster Moore, Hub, R. 1	4	46		4	2	5 00
Foxworth	W. B. Sills, Foxworth	Carl Sills, Foxworth	10	74		4	4	25 25
Goss	W. C. Robertson, Goss	Mrs. Vesta Carmichael, Goss	8	69		1		13 91
Holly Springs	C. F. Lowe, Morgantown	Miss Lucy Prescott, Morgantown	5	27		4	3	
Hurricane Creek	R. S. Lott, Sandy Hook	Miss Ouida McKenzie, Sandy Hook	8	27		1	6	22 50
Improve	E. I. Watts, Columbia, R. 3	W. M. McArthur, Columbia, R. 3	9	86		8	3	35 00
Kokomo	R. A. Turnage, Kokomo	Miss Bertie Callahan, Kokomo	8	50		8	4	28 00
New Hope	A. C. Mullins, Foxworth, R.	Miss Virlee Stringer, Foxworth R.	6	45				13 25
Oloh	L. J. Stringer, Sumrall	Miss Stella Warren, Sandy Hook	6	55		5		17 35
Sandy Hook	H. L. McLaurin, Sandy Hook	Miss Sallie Mae Yawn, Tylertown R. 3	6	65		11		15 35
Shiloh	H. T. Pittman, Tylertown, R. 2							
White Bluff								
TOTAL			170	13 8350	122	116	111	70

MARION COUNTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION.
ANNUAL MEETING OF W. M. U. ASSOCIATION.

WITH BUNKER HILL BAPTIST CHURCH, SEPT. 6, 1923.

MORNING SESSION.

Association called to order by leader, Mrs. G. M. Parker.
Song Service.

Devotional—Stewardship, Mrs. Hemphill.

Report on \years work, with suggestions for improvements, Mrs. G. M. Parker.

Address—Based on State Policy, illustrated by use of chart, Miss Jennie Watts.

Five minutes talks on Slogan:

Orphanage—Mrs. Rosa McNeese.

Hospitals—With reports from hospitals—, Mrs. Clark Robinson.

Ministerial Relief—Speaker absent. Explanations given by Mrs. Parker.

Christian Education—Mrs. A. H. Ball.

State Missions—Report sent in by Mrs. James Morris, adopted to be printed in minutes.

Home Missions—Report sent in by Mrs. Williams.

Foreign Missions—Mrs. I. M. Fortenberry.

Solo—Miss Arthurine Ball.

Adjournment.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Committees appointed.

Nominating Committee, Mrs. A. H. Ball, Chairman; Mrs. Weatherford, and Mrs. W. W. Robbins.

Obituary Committee—Mrs. Pearson, Mrs. George Cox and Mrs. Lee Stanley.

Reports called for—Leaders

Address—Stewardship, Mrs. I. A. Shelby.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES

Nominating Committee.

Appointments—Mrs. G. M. Parker—Superintendent.

Mrs. A. D. Tolar—Mission Study Leader.

Mrs. V. C. Walker—Personal Service. Leader.

Mrs. Rosa McNeese—Young People's Leader.

Mrs. I. M. Fortenberry—Stewardship Leader.

Appointment approved and adopted.

Reports from societies—Two minutes:—

Bunker Hill, Columbia, East Columbia, Edna, Goss, Improve, Sandy Hook, Foxworth and Good Hope.

Demonstration by Sunbeam Band of Bunker Hill Church—Mrs. Rosa McNeese, Leader.

"The Call to Service through our Young People."

Speaker absent—Remarks by Mrs. Norton.

Business Meeting—

Report on Obituaries:

Mrs. Lizzie Bass—Bunker Hill.

Mrs. Hattie Baggett—East Columbia.

Mrs. Blanche Powell, New Hope.

Mrs. Levi Stringer, Improve.

Mrs. George Rhoden, Columbia.

Mrs. Teston, Columbia.

Mrs. Fagan Welch, Columbia.

Report approved and adopted.

Motion made and carried to have meeting of W. M. U. Association at separate time, and, if necessary, at separate place to general association. Time and place to be appointed by executive committee.

Collection of \$1.75 made to pay for printing programs.

Remarks by Rev. Hemphill.

Adjournment.

Respectfully submitted,
DAISY WILLIAMS, Secretary.

MISSISSIPPI BAPTIST HISTORICAL SOCIETY

J. L. BOYD, Custodian
P. O. BOX 392 ❖ CLINTON, MISS.

Proceedings

ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTH
ANNUAL SESSION OF THE

**Marion County Baptist
Association**

Clear Creek ch.

Sept. 11-12-13

Hold With
SHILOH BAPTIST CHURCH
September 12-13-14, 1924

Minutes
OF THE
Marion County Baptist Association

HELD WITH
SHILOH BAPTIST CHURCH
September 12, 13 and 14, 1924

OFFICERS

MODERATOR.....Judge T. P. Dale
TREASURER.....Mr. W. R. Fortenberry
CLERK.....Miss Jennie Watts

OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES.

MODERATOR ----- Judge T. P. Dale
 TREASURER ----- Mr. W. R. Fortenberry
 CLERK ----- Miss Jennie Watts
 Delegate to Southern Baptist Convention ---- Rev. V. C. Walker
 Delegate to State Convention ----- Judge T. P. Dale
 Representative on State Mission Board ---- Rev. Wayne Alliston

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

Judge T. P. Dale, Dr. L. R. Bush, Prof. A. Miller, J. J. Puckett,
 F. A. Walker, F. L. Poland, W. R. Fortenberry, Mrs. G. M. Parker
 and Miss Jennie Watts. (This committee to meet a month prior
 to the next meeting of the Association and assign reports and
 make out an outline of business for this meeting.)

NEXT MEETING

TIME—Friday, Saturday and including Second Sunday in Sept., '25
 PLACE—Clear Creek Church
 PREACHER—Rev. Rodney Branton.
 ALTERNATE—Rev. J. B. Hemphill.

PROCEEDINGS—FRIDAY MORNING.

Shiloh Baptist Church, Sept. 12, 1924. The Marion County Baptist Association composed of the Missionary Baptist churches of the county held its annual meeting at Shiloh Church. This was the one hundred and fifth meeting of this body.

In the absence of the Moderator and Treasurer, the Clerk, Miss Jennie Watts, called the meeting to order.

Song—How Firm a Foundation. Prayer, Rev. A. F. Davis. The association went into the election of officers for another year, which resulted as follows: Moderator Judge T. P. Dale; Treasurer, W. R. Fortenberry; Clerk, Miss Jennie Watts.

The newly elected moderator took the chair, and after expressing his appreciation to the Association for this honor conferred on him, took charge of the Association.

The first business taken up was the calling for the church letters and the enrollment of delegates, which was as follows:

Antioch—Mr. E. H. Williamson.

Bunker Hill—Mr. and Mrs. Robert McNeese, Mr. Jessie Evans.

Cedar Grove—Mr. J. A. McDaniel, Prof. Victor Fortenberry.

Clear Creek—Mr. W. E. Davis,

Columbia—Rev. Wayne Alliston, Rev. W. M. Bass and T. C. Griffith, S. E. Lawrence, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Nelson, Judge J. Q. Langston, Judge T. P. Dale, Mesdames I. A. Shelby, I. M. Fortenberry, Mary Bennett and I. Q. Speights.

East Columbia—Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Tolar and Fred McDaniel.

Edna—Mr. W. F. Cook and Mr. Sidney Moore.

Foxworth—Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Sills and Mrs. G. M. Parker

Goss—Mr. Chas. Breeden, Miss Mabel Breeden, Mrs. Lewis Newsum and Mr. Emmett Williamson.

Holly Springs—Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Prescott and Miss Letha Lowe.

Improve—Rev. J. L. Watts and Mr. Ira Rayborn

Hurricane Creek—Mr. W. R. Fortenberry, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. McKenzie, Mr. and Mrs. Codie McKenzie.

Kokomo—Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Ginn, Mr. G. G. Hand, Mrs. G. L. Connerly

New Hope—Mr. A. C. Mullins, Mr. Ben Stringer, Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Pittman, Mrs. Lula Magee.

Oloh—Prof. and Mrs. L. J. Stringer, Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Lott

Sandy Hook—Mr. Fleet Willoughby, Mr. M. E. Pigott, Rev. L. F. May.

Shiloh—Mr. E. L. Williamson, Mr. Lucius Hunt, H. E. Sloper.

White Bluff—Mr. and Mrs. Joe Boyd, Mr. F. S. Branton.

Pinebur Church was received into the Association. Mr. J. J. Puckett and Mr. R. R. Ritchie were enrolled as messengers from this church.

The following Committees were appointed:

Finance Committee—E. H. Williamson, E. L. Williamson and Mrs. G. M. Parker.

Order of Business—Mrs. A. D. Tolar, Rev. Wayne Alliston and Rev. J. L. Watts.

The Committee on Order of Business withdrew and made up their report. Rev. Wayne Alliston made the report for the Committee on Order of Business as follows:

That Rev. W. A. Roper preach the Associational Sermon in the absence of Bro. V. C. Walker who was to have preached it. Then in the afternoon the State Mission Report be read and spoken to.

Visitors were recognized as follows: Mr. J. E. Byrd of Mt. Olive; Rev. and Mrs. A. F. Davis, Rev. and Mrs. W. A. Roper, of Tyertown; Rev. H. B. Price, of McComb; Rev. L. E. Lightsey, of Mont Rose; Brother McClain, from Alabama.

On motion, the reading of the Associational letters were dispensed with and the time given to Mr. J. E. Byrd to speak on State Missions.

Song—"What a Friend We Have in Jesus."

Prayer—Mr. J. E. Byrd.

This being the hour for the Associational Sermon Rev. W. A. Roper preached a great sermon on Evangelism, reading from Romans 9:1-3—10:1-4. He took for his text Romans 9:3.

Prayer—Rev. H. B. Price.

Bro. Alliston, County Organizer, made some statement in regard to the county work. He invited all the laymen in the house for a conference on this work immediately following lunch.

Rev. L. E. Lightsey, representative of the Baptist Book Store and also the Baptist Record, made announcements about the work he represented.

The meeting adjourned untill after lunch.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON.

Song—"Revive Us Again."

Prayer—Rev. William Bass.

Rev. Wayne Alliston conducted a conference on the County work. All the churches present pledged themselves to cooperate in every way with plans to wind up the 75-Million Campaign and also the plans for the Mission Program for the year 1925.

Prayer—Rev. A. F. Davis.

The State Mission Report was read by Mr. T. C. Griffith. The report was spoken to by Mr. J. E. Byrd. He spoke at length on the things accomplished by the Baptist Campaign and also outlined the future program.

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS.

The State Board in its annual session December, 1923 laid out the work for the year 1924 on a basis which called for the expenditure of \$130,000.00 for State Mission work. Since State Missions receive only 19 per cent of the total amount raised, it will be necessary to raise this year more than five times that amount in order for us to receive the \$130,000.00. That will give you some idea of the immensity of the task.

The Board is assisting in the paying of the salary of seventy-two pastors in different parts of the state. This amount assists one hundred and twenty-five churches. We have had in the field four regular district enlistment men. We now have five regular Sunday School workers with several assistants during the summer months doing County Institute work. We have two regular B. Y. P. U. field workers with two extra for a part of the summer season. The W. M. U. has two regular workers.

Other items of expense in connection with the State Board's work are expense of the Board meeting; printing the State Convention minutes; State Convention meeting; School of Evangelism; Mid-Winter Bible School, at New Orleans, Louisiana; Work among the Negroes; the Creoles and the Indians, the Ministerial Student Fund, Religious work in State colleges, seminaries and training schools student fund; Good Will Center Work and the salary of \$720.00 a year to Dr. A. V. Rowe, who is Secretary Emeritus. The largest item of work for the year is that of appropriations to church buildings which amounts to \$40,000.00. None of this has been paid, but will be due November first.

THE SEVENTY-FIVE MILLION CAMPAIGN.

The most important work before our churches the remainder of this year is, first, the payment in full of the 75 Million Campaign pledge if possible by the first of November; if not, at least by the last of December, for we are not going to reckon with the pledges after the close of this year. The second is the 1925 program. This consists of making pledges to the

seven great causes which have been being cared for by means of the 75-Million Campaign funds. The pledges are to be from November 30th to December 7th inclusive. The payments will begin with January first and be continued throughout the year 1925. We lack up to August 1st about \$715,000.00 of having raised our quota and about \$1,520,000.00 of having raised our pledge. It is possible for us to raise this amount by the end of the year. There is an expressed determination on the part of many to pay every cent they promised.

Song—"Come We That Love the Lord."

Prayer—Rev. W. A. Roper.

Dr. R. B. Gunter, State Mission Secretary, brought a great message on "The Fellowship of God's People." He spoke 1st, The Fellowship of Suffering; 2nd, The Fellowship of Service and 3rd, The Fellowship of Rewards.

The following Committees were appointed:

Committee On Nominations—Rev. J. L. Watts, Miss Letha Lowe and Mr. W. E. Davis.

Program Committee—Rev. Wayne Alliston, Mr. Lucius Hunt and Mr. Emmet Williamson.

Digest of Letters—Mr. T. C. Griffith, Rev. L. F. May, Mr. Jessie Evans and Mr. F. S. Branton.

Obituaries—Mr. E. L. Williamson, Mrs. Emma Fortenberry and Mr. J. J. Puckett.

Dr. Gunter suggested that each church have an all day meeting in October.

The meeting adjourned until 10 o'clock Saturday morning.

SATURDAY MORNING.

Songs—"Draw Me Nearer" and "I Am Thine O Lord."

Rev. V. C. Walker was appointed to serve on the Nominating Committee in place of Bro. J. L. Watts, who could not be present.

Rev. J. B. Hemphill was named on the Committee on Digest of Letters in place of Mr. T. C. Griffith, who was absent.

Song—"My Faith Looks Up to Thee."

The Devotional was conducted by Rev. L. E. Lightsey. He read John 15 and spoke on the Vine and Branches.

Prayer—Rev. Wayne Alliston.

The suggested report on Social Service was read by Rev. J. B. Hemphill. This was spoken to by Brethren Price, Alliston and Cox.

REPORT OF BAPTIST HOSPITAL

Number patients treated from Aug. 1923 to Aug. 1924	1,850
Number charity patients treated from Aug. 1923 to Aug. '24	188
Cost of running hospital from Aug. 1923 to Aug. 1924	\$66,175.64
Cost of treating charity from Aug., 1923 to Aug., 1924	\$ 6,245.55
Value of Hospital and nurses home	\$225,000.00
Amount of indebtedness, not including interest	\$51,063.40
Capacity of Hospital	75 beds
No. Nurses in training	28
No. Operating rooms	3
No. X-Ray machines	3
No. Physicians and Surgeons on Staff	26
Needs for grading and putting brick or cement wall around property	\$2,000.00
Equipment for hospital, dressing tables and rocking chairs for 36 rooms.	
Need nurses' home.	

REPORT OF BAPTIST ORPHANAGE By REV. J. R. CARTER.

We give following facts about the Baptist Orphanage for past year. We have had an average of 170 children during the year. The health of the children has been good. We have had no deaths and only a few cases of sickness.

Our crop has been greatly damaged by the dry weather. Our finances are unusually short. We have had to borrow already \$2,000 and will likely have to borrow \$2,000 or \$3,000 more unless our brethren come up promptly with their pledges to the 75-Million Campaign.

We have had an unusual number of applications for the last few weeks and it looks now like we will have to run to full capacity next year.

We are completing the Superintendent's home, a two story brick building estimated to cost \$10,000; but by doing much of the work ourselves, it will cost much less.

This building will add much to the Orphanage property and it completes the general plan of the Orphanage plant. Fortunately we had the money laid aside for this building and I think we will be able to pay for it when it is completed.

I hope our brethren will remember us and help us in our effort to care for our children and enable us to come out in good shape this fall.

Rev. T. D. Cox, of the Baptist Orphanage at Jackson, spoke on the work and needs of our Orphanage.

Rev. H. B. Price, Enlistment Missionary for this the Sixth

District, preached at this time. He read from the 25th Chapter of John's Gospel, taking his text from verse 15.

Prayer—Rev. Wayne Alliston.

Bro. Price urged every church to hold a special meeting from October 19-26. On motion, the Association voted to do this. Every church was urged to hold a prayer meeting at 3:00 o'clock P. M. October 19th, praying for the work of the Denomination.

The meeting was adjourned, with prayer, for lunch, by Rev. V. C. Walker.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON.

Song—"My Faith Looks Up to Thee.

Reports from Committees were made as follows: Program, the Chairman, Rev. Wayne Alliston, recommended that the Associational officers, together with the officers for our 5th Sunday meeting, constitute executive committee, this committee to meet a month prior to the next meeting of the Association and outline a program for the next meeting. This recommendation was adopted.

The Committee on Nominations made the following report:
Meeting Place----- Clear Creek
Time of Meeting----- Friday and Saturday and
including the Second Sunday in September, 1925.

Preacher----- Rev. Rodney Branton
Alternate----- Rev. J. B. Hemphill
Delegate to Southern Baptist Convention___ Rev. V. C. Walker
Delegate to State Baptist Convention----- Judge T. P. Dale
Representative on State Mission Board____ Rev. Wayne Alliston

Respectfully submitted,

V. C. WALKER,

LETHA LOWE,

W. E. DAVIS.

On motion this report was adopted.

Obituary Committee reported:

It grieves us to note the fact that the following of our members have gone from among us this year, but as we have committed our lives to God, we submit to his will, and pray God's blessings on the grief stricken and that He may use us all mightily in His Kingdom while we remain here.

OUR DEAD.

Clear Creek—Bro. D. L. Davis.

Columbia—Brethren M. C. Crawford and E. A. Weathersby
and Sister I. M. Thornhill.

East Columbia—Sister Amanda Thornhill.

New Hope—Bro. Ado Lee.

Goss—Bros. H. H. Bourn, Arthur Robertson and Sister Katie
Bourn Polk.

Shiloh—Sister Lizzie Yawn.

Cedar Grove—Sister John Hammond.

Antioch—Sister Joe Warren.

Oloh—Bro. G. W. Lott and Sister Alice Saucier.

Pinebur—Sister Ella Johnson.

Improve—Bro. Lon Pace.

Respectfully submitted,

E. L. WILLIAMSON,

J. J. PUCKETT.

Rev. Halfacre lead in prayer for the friends and relatives of
the deceased.

MARION COUNTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

The Finance Committee made the following report. Turned in on Minute Fund:

Bunker Hill	\$ 10.00
White Bluff	2.00
Hurricane Creek	4.50
Sandy Hook	3.00
Cedar Grove	3.70
Holly Springs	2.50
Edna	1.50
Pinebur	1.25
Goss	2.50
Clear Creek	1.45
Antioch	1.50
Kokomo	3.50
Columbia	20.00
Improve	4.40
Oloh	3.00
New Hope	2.50
Shiloh	3.00
Rev. T. D. Cox	.50
Rev. V. C. Walker	1.00

TOTAL \$71.80

East Columbia sent in \$4.00 and Foxworth \$5.00, on Minute Fund, after the report was made up.

The report on Christian Education was read and spoken to by Brethren Hemphill, Stringer and Alliston.

REPORT ON EDUCATION

The most profound, the most far reaching, and tremendous force in this world which shapes the destinies of men and fixes the trend of human affairs is Christian Education.

As a people, Baptists stand today for the best possible teaching and training for the whole people. Our very principles lead us inevitably to an unwavering belief in universal education.

Baptist democracy certainly means equal privileges for all on the basis that all are entitled to the best of which they are capable, simply because of the inherent rights which pertain to human beings. With Baptists, as with the Lord, there should be no respecter of persons.

We call special attention to the schools of our State under the control of Baptists. These are our schools: For women, Woman's College and Blue Mountain College; Clarke Memorial College for both young men and young women; and Mississippi College, our

great A-1 College for men. Also Hillman College for girls, not directly, but indirectly under control of the Baptist denomination.

Since practically all of the preparation for entrance into our denominational schools must be had in the public schools of the State, it would seem to be the part of wisdom for our people to see to it that only active Christian teachers are employed in our schools. In our humble opinion there should be no doubt as to whether any person not an active christian ought to teach in any schools. Baptists pay a large part of the taxes of the State, and they have a perfect right to insist that the teachers should be of the highest type of Christian character. The Committee recommends to all trustees of public schools to make a thorough investigation of the christian character of all teachers employed.

We desire to call special attention of our Association to the Baptist Bible Institute of New Orleans. It behooves us as Baptists to see to it that this Association is strongly represented in that Institution.

We believe that all our denominational interests, the vital interest of universal education and the best interests of the State will all be best served by making our schools just as great and efficient as money and men and Baptist ideals of democracy can make them. Therefore, we call upon our people everywhere to pray for, to give to, and to send to these schools in ever increasing numbers their sons and daughters.

Respectfully submitted,

J. L. STRINGER, Chairman.

On motion, the reports on Christian Education and Social Service were adopted.

The Association adjourned until 10:00 o'clock Sunday morning.

SUNDAY MORNING.

10 to 11—Sunday School.

Song—"More About Jesus."

Song—"When the Roll Is Called Up Yonder."

Devotional conducted by Rev. V. C. Walker.

Prayer—Bro. Newton.

Song—"Take the Name of Jesus With You."

The Moderator appointed the following Resolution Committee: Judge J. Q. Langston, Mr. Enoch Pittman and Mr. Ira Rayburn.

At this time the meeting was turned over to Mr. T. C. Griffith, Chairman of the Committee on Missions. He had prev-

ously arranged a program in play and song and sermon illustrating Missions. Rev. T. D. Cox led a prayer of gratitude to God for His many blessings.

The Home Mission Report was read by Rev. V. C. Walker.

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS

The Board refers with gratitude to the wonderful progress made during the last few years in Home Mission endeavor, especially during the five-year period of the 75 Million Campaign, which has been unique and outstanding in Baptist annals. A study of the Board's annual reports for these five years reveals a record of great achievements. Notwithstanding the embarrassment of a heavy debt that has rested on the Board for four years' past, God has bestowed unwonted favor upon the labors of the missionaries and evangelists of the Board. Meetings of great power have been held in various fields and thousands have been brought to Christ. Fields notably hard, where for years we have been laboring and laying foundations, are coming to self-support and in turn are having a part in our denominational work. Enlargement is called for from every direction. The calls are many and heart-searching from weak churches needing help and destitute fields needing missionaries in the countryside and in our growing towns and cities.

Changing conditions in the industrial world, the migration of the Negroes by hundreds of thousands to the North, the test of our civilization by the creeping in of insidious error in our schools and colleges, all these call for the leavening power of the gospel. Who that reads our daily papers can deny that there is throughout our land a deplorable attitude on the part of multitudes of people with respect to law and government. The gospel is the pure corrective for all these things and our Home Mission Board furnishes for Southern Baptists a great Southwide agency for giving the gospel in its purity and power.

The Home Mission Board, notwithstanding its burdensome debt and consequent retrenchment in its forces, presents a wonderful outlook for the future. So marvelous have been God's favors upon our people in the last few years, and especially during the five-year Campaign, that we are able by virtue of our forces and resources to seize the present situation and make Southern Baptists the greatest single religious force in the South and throughout our nation. The South constitutes the nursery, the training ground, the granary, the source of supplies, indeed, for our conquest in all lands. If we fail here we fail everywhere! If we succeed here we can succeed everywhere! May God help our people in this great day of opportunity with high resolve to meet

the issues worthily and hasten the coming of His Kingdom throughout the earth!

The following is a brief summary of some features of the Board's work for the last five years: Sermons and addresses 802,382; prayer meetings 101,975; religious visits 1,238,210; baptisms 203,532; total additions to churches 324,086; workers' conferences held 4,667; volunteers for Christian services 15,049; church houses built or improved 2,225; Sunday Schools organized, 3,183; copies Scripture given 55,533; pages tracts distributed 35,812,479.

The 75 Million Campaign closes with December 1924 and it has been stated that if we raise the full 75 Million Dollars and Home Missions receives its due proportion we can pay off all the Board's debt and be ready for an aggressive work for the future.

A free supply of tracts and leaflets can be had from the Home Mission Board, 1004 Healey Building, Georgia. Their splendid Home Mission books are sold at actual cost.

The Foreign Mission Report was read by Mrs. G. M. Parker.

FOREIGN MISSION REPORT

The past year has been fraught with many anxieties, disappointments and heartaches to our Foreign Mission Board. More requests have been denied our missionaries and a greater debt has been accumulated than ever before in the history of the Board, and because of this many fine consecrated young men and women have been denied the request to go as missionaries. Think of the opportunities passed which, if we could have embraced, would have given us age-long and world-wide advantage for the cause of Christ.

The cause of much of the present situation is due to the fact the receipt of the Board for the year 1919-20 so far exceeded expectations that the messengers to the Washington Convention were confident that the Board would receive a minimum of \$4,000,000 a year through the period of these campaign pledges were to be collected. In a state of enthusiasm the Convention bade the Board to advance in scope and care of its work. From the report each year since of the Board the receipts have dropped heavily and each year cuts have been made from the estimate of needs which the missionaries had made and requested. Hopes have been deferred and hearts made sick. The debt which the Foreign Mission Board has carried has been the money borrowed to meet the debt has amounted to \$70,624.04 during the past year only. The creation of this debt and big interest account should be looked into squarely by the denomination here. The prompt payment of

Campaign pledges would have saved this large sum and with this we could have made provision for many of the requests of our missionaries. While the Board has been criticised for launching out too much, we believe they have in a measure been cautious and economical in contributions, going beyond these only as they were bidden by the Convention. It is sad to report that our foreign mission work halts on account of this debt in the midst of the greatest revival spirit all over our mission fields. Let us not balk before allurements of such opportunities where the door stands open to receive the gospel message.

We give the figures on foreign fields during 1923-24 as follows: New Missionaries 55; New churches 204; Churches undertaking self-support 97; new out-stations, 121; Baptisms 12856; gains in church membership 8,544; Contributions, \$444,568; Additional Sunday School scholars 9,097; Additional Sunday Schools, 64; Increase in number of students, 2,317.

In spite of the dark hours and heartaches of our Board there are many gleams of light and from the record of the year we see God has crowned it with His loving kindness. These blessed results which our great campaign has brought to our foreign mission work, brings such overflowing joy to all who have a worthy part in this at home, and how determined should those be who have failed to pay their pledges, to make any sacrifice necessary to redeem them. The sun never sets on our foreign mission work which we have in sixteen nations. There is never an hour during the day and night when some of those who bear our witness to a lost world are not testifying to the saving grace of God. This knowledge should make us resolve to meet our pledges fully that those dear workers in the farlands might be strengthened in their glorious tasks.

On motion, these reports were adopted, having been previously spoken to.

A Playlet was given by boys from Foxworth, teaching tithing.

Song—"There's a Land That Is Fairer Than Day."

At this hour Rev. J. B. Hemphill preached. His text was taken from 2nd Tim. 4:2, "Let no man despise thy youth."

Prayer—Rev. L. E. Lightsey.

Announcement in regard to the afternoon program.

The meeting was adjourned for dinner with prayer by Rev. J. B. Hemphill.

SUNDAY AFTERNOON.

Songs—"Standing on the Promises" and "He Included Me."

Prayer—Rev. Hemphill.

The young ladies from the B. Y. P. U. at the Industrial and Training School gave a program. The theme was "Love."

A Playlet, illustrating the results of State Missions, was given by young ladies from Columbia.

A Playlet, "Starting Right," was given by Rev. Rodney Branton and Miss Ida Branton. The thought brought out in this was that we owe God a tenth of our income and it would pay any young couple starting out in life to make this their plan of giving.

Rev. Wayne Alliston brought a message on our duty as Christians. Bro. J. B. Hemphill was moved to call for a free will offering. Anyone who wanted to give an offering to Missions had an opportunity. There was laid on the table for this purpose \$25.13. The Treasurer was instructed to send this money to our State Mission Secretary, Dr. R. B. Gunter.

Song—"In the Cross."

The Resolution Committee submitted the following report:

We your Committee on Resolutions, beg leave to submit the following:

Resolved that the Marion County Baptist Association does hereby express its thanks to the good people of Shiloh for their kind, courteous and hospitable treatment of delegates and visitors to the association, and for all their efforts to make it a success. The association especially tenders its thanks to the ladies who prepared and served so bountiful meals, also.

We are especially indebted to Rev. T. D. Cox, Dr. R. B. Gunter, Mr. J. E. Byrd and Bro. Lightsey for their presence and help in our work.

Respectfully submitted,

E. J. PITTMAN, J. I. RAYBURN and J. Q. LANGSTON.

The report was adopted.

There being no further business, the Association closed one of the most successful meetings yet held, and was adjourned with prayer by Bro. Hemphill, to meet at Clear Creek Church, Friday before the Second Sunday in September, 1925.

T. P. DALE, Moderator.

MISS JENNIE WATTS.

SUNDAY SCHOOL TABLE

CHURCHES	SUPERINTENDENTS	SECRETARIES	Contributions					
			Teachers and Officers Holding Seals	No. Baptisms from Sunday School	Church Membership in Sunday School	No. Pupils Enrolled	Officers and Teachers	
Antioch	C M Copeland, Foxworth Route	Miss Ruth Dowdy, Foxworth	1	7	80	11	49	11.49
Bunker Hill	M T Renfro, Columbia, Route 1	Miss Mary Robins, Columbia R 1	7	42.50	11	177	6	32
Cedar Grove	J P Breakfield, Goss, Route	G M Rankin, Goss, Route	1	7.50	6	32	1	1
Clear Creek	T C Griffith, Columbia	R B Griffith, Columbia	5	67.60	1.16	575	9	96
Columbia	R F Alexander, Columbia Route 2	A D Tolar, Columbia Route 2	14	47.94	5	96	5	19
Edna	Warren Cook, Hub Route 1	Sidney Moore, Hub Route 1	2	5.19	11	90	7	92
Foxworth	W B Sills, Foxworth	Mrs J E Waldrup, Foxworth	2	22.33	11	90	7	92
Goss	Mrs. Vester Carmichael, Goss	C W Williamson, Goss	4	11.75	7	92	5	57
Holly Springs	C F Lowe, Morgantown	Miss Lucy Prescott, Morgantown	3	14.90	8	62	2	41.00
Hurricane Creek	R S Lott, Sandy Hook Route	Miss Ouida McKenzie, Sandy Hk R	3	14.90	8	62	2	41.00
Improve	E I Watts, Columbia Route 3	Mac Powell, Columbia Route	3	14.90	8	62	2	41.00
Kokomo	R A Turnage, Kokomo	Miss Grace Callahan, Kokomo	8	41.00	45	33	6	33
New Hope	A C Mulhins, Foxworth Route	Miss Virlee Lott	5	27.60	6	33	6	33
Oloh	J L Stringer, Sunrall Route 4	Miss Lizzie Tyner, Pinebur	3	8.10	9	96	2	58.24
Pinebur	R R Ritchie, Pinebur	Marvin Pigott, Sandy Hook	2	58.24	9	96	2	58.24
Sandy Hook	F E Willoughby, Sandy Hook	Miss Essie Forbes, Foxworth, R	1	18.00	7	38	1	18.00
Shiloh	H T Pittman, Foxworth, Route							
White Bluff								

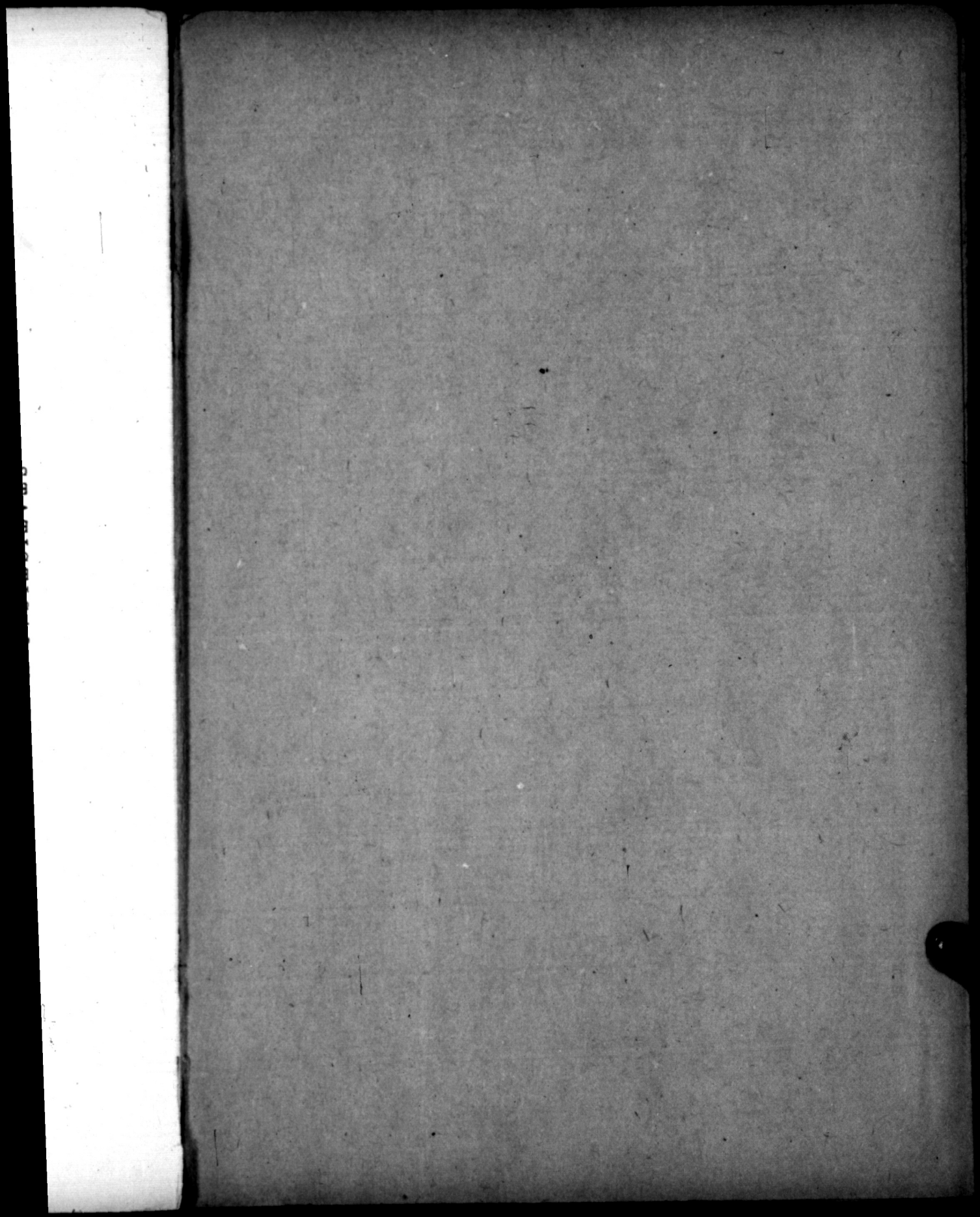
CHURCHES. PASTORS, CLERKS and MEMBERSHIP STATISTICS

CHURCHES	PASTORS	CLERKS	When Organized	Time of Preaching	Increase By Letter	Increase By Restoration	Increase By Profession	Decrease By Letter	Decrease By Exclusion	Decrease By Death	Total Membership Last Year	Total Membership This Year
Antioch	V C Walker Kokomo	A S Forbes, Foxworth, Route	1814	1814	2		2	11		2	138	127
Bunker Hill	J O Buckley, Prentiss	C L Robins, Columbia Route 3	1885	1885	13		2	18	2		279	274
Cedar Grove	Wayne Alliston, Columbia	W S Fortenberry, Columbia	1893	1893	3			10		1	82	71
Clear Creek	J H Cothern, Poplarville	W H Powell, Baxterville Route	1893	1893	4	1	1	7		1	86	100
Columbia	Wayne Alliston Columbia	Jennie Watts, Columbia	1883	1883	All	74	1	73		3	1046	1106
East Columbia	B B Coke, New Orleans, La.	Fred McDaniel, Columbia Route 2	1919	1919	2	4	14	4		1	101	110
Edna	V C Walker, Kokomo	Warren Cook, Hub Route	1908	1908	3	4	2	7			81	80
Foxworth	J B Hemphill Lexie	W B Sills, Foxworth	1908	1908	2	4	5	9			156	156
Goss	Wayne Alliston, Columbia	W C Robertson Goss	1908	1908	1	8	1	22	12	3	211	218
Holly Springs	J T Green, Jayess, Miss	T R Beard, Foxworth Route	1870	1870	1						70	70
Hurricane Creek	J L Watts Columbia, Route 3	W R Fortenberry, Sandy Hook	1913	1913	1		19	1			127	145
Improve	J L Watts, Columbia, Route 3	Ira Rayburn, Columbia Route 3	1902	1902	4		8	6		1	146	147
Kokomo	V C Walker, Kokomo	H M Williamson, Kokomo	1913	1913	4	9	1	1			108	117
New Hope	V C Walker, Kokomo	W L McKenzie, Cheraw Route	1872	1872	2	2	31	5		1	246	273
Oldh	J N Lee Sumrall	Tina Lett, Sumrall, Route 4	1902	1902	2	1	5	5	1	2	81	80
Pinebur	B B Coke, New Orleans, La.	Mrs. R R Ritchie, Pinebur	1916	1916	1	2	3	3		1		39
Sandy Hook	V C Walker, Kokomo	J E Forbes, Sandy Hook	1889	1889	2	3	4	11				72
Shiloh	J R Branton, Clinton	H D Slocum, Foxworth, Route	1889	1889	2	1	5	3		1	154	154
White Bluff		M M Branton White Bluff			3						42	42
TOTALS					121	6	202	186	3	17	3000	3345

STATISTICAL TABLE

CHURCHES	Total Contributions	Other Items	Incidentals	Ministerial Relief	Minute Fund	The Poor	Sunday School and B Y P U	75-Million Campaign	Building and Repairs	Visiting Minister	Pastor's Salary	Value of Pastor's Home	Value of Church Property
Antiech	137.99	2.00			1.50		11.49	32.48		54.65	125.00		1500.00
Bunker Hill	449.13				10.50	16.00	7.50	3.00	90.00	26	30.00		1000.00
Cedar Grove	296.20	6.00			3.70			29.80	4.00	74.05	150.00		1500.00
Clear Creek	335.71				1.45			601.16	1084.26	62.00	220.41		\$25000
Columbia	11395.31	2467.84	790.00	25.00	20.00		41.66	61.25	6.00	9.00	33250.00		300.00
East Columbia	594.86	62.45	4.50		4.00			41.25			300.00		2070.00
Edna	154.25	10.50	2.50		1.25						1.0.00		1000.00
Foxworth	917.63	10.00	15.00				32.00	60.63		301.00	500.00		500.00
Goss	455.50	11.60			2.50		11.65	32.25	200.00	50.00	150.00		1200.00
Holly Springs	214.32	*25.60			4.50		3.50	11.50		48.72	125.00		3.0.00
Hurricane Creek	208.80				2.50		19.55	46.00		36.60	102.75		2503.00
Improve	1165.92				4.40	76.92	30.00	70.65	700.00	83.95	2.0.00		9000.00
Kokomo	294.50		5.00		3.50		41.00			45.0	200.00		3000.00
New Hope	313.65	34.00			2.50	21.90	15.00	50.00		40.25	15.00		3000.00
Olah	250.00				3.00			61.54		35.50	150.00		2000.00
Pittsburg	126.55				1.25		8.00			38.00	79.30		
Sandy Hook	450.20				3.00		18.00	81.00		116.20	250.00		5.0.00
Shiloh	190.59				3.00	10.84		12.00		21.75	1.5.00		1000.00
White Bluff	139.70				2.00			7.70		30.00	100.00		

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**Marion County Baptist
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ONE HUNDRED SIXTH ANNUAL SESSION

*Holly Springs
Sept. 10-11-12*

Clear Creek Church

September 11-12-13, 1925

CHURCHES, PASTORS, CLERKS AND MEMBERSHIP STATISTICS

CHURCHES	PASTORS	CLERKS	When organized	Time of preaching	Increase by letter	Increase, restoration	Increase by profes- sion of Faith	Decrease by letter	Decrease by exclusion	Decrease by death	Total membership last year	Total membership This Year
Antioch	J. C. Watts, Columbia, R 3	A. S. Forbes, Foxworth R	1814	3	3	3	8	7	5	5	106	105
Bunker Hill	L. T. Aultman, Columbia, R	M. T. Renfro, Columbia, R	1882	3	32	3	40	24	2	2	274	320
Cedar Grove	Wayne Alliston, Columbia	W. S. Fortenberry, Columbia		3	7	3	11	6	1	1	71	83
Clear Creek	J. J. Lowe, New Orleans, BBI	W. H. Powell, Baxterville R		2	4	2	2				115	115
Columbia	Wayne Alliston, Columbia	Jennie Watts, Columbia	1883	All	59	94	94	58	6	6	1106	1207
East Columbia	L. T. Aultman, Columbia, R	Fred McDaniel, Columbia, R	1919	2	4	12	12	1	1	1	110	133
Edna	V. C. Walker, Kokomo	Warren Cook, Hub, R	1908	3	9	2	2	12	2	2	74	62
Foxworth	J. B. Hemphill, Lexie, Miss.	H. J. Ward, Foxworth	1908	2	4	9	8	20	5	5	156	128
Goss	Wayne Alliston, Columbia	E. V. Williamson, Goss	1908	1	10	13	13	17	4	4	218	220
Holly Springs	J. C. Watts, Columbia, R 3	Aletha Lowe, Morgantown	1889	1	11	11	15	2	1	1	130	130
Hurricane Creek	J. L. Watts, Columbia, R 3	W. R. Fortenberry, Sandy Hook	1913	1	1	1	9	1	1	2	145	152
Improve	J. L. Watts, Columbia, R 3	J. I. Rayborn, Columbia R 3	1902	4	1	1	26	8	2	2	239	239
Kokomo	V. C. Walker, Kokomo	W. L. McKenzie, Sandy Hook r	1872	2	1	2	20	4	2	2	273	290
New Hope	J. N. Lee, Sumrall	Tina Lott, Sumrall, R	1902	2	7	7	9	7			80	89
Oloh	V. C. Walker, Kokomo	Mrs. R. R. Ritchie, Pinebur	1910	3	3	3	3		1	1	30	30
Pinebur	A. T. Mitchell, New Orleans	J. E. Forbes, Sandy Hook	1903	3	3	3	3	4			80	82
Sandy Hook	V. C. Walker, Kokomo	Ina Lee Pittman, Foxworth R	1890	2	2	2	5		3	3	149	149
Shiloh	J. R. Branton, Clinton	O. G. May, White Bluff		3							42	42
White Bluff												
TOTALS				210	3	278	171	1	35	2693	3574	

STATISTICAL REPORT.

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Antioch	1250	185 50				50	2	12 00	21 50		25 00		125 00		1250
Bunker Hill	10 0	601 26		20 00		5 00	5	40 00	168 81		67 45		300 00		10 0
Cedar Grove	1000	173 45				2 50	2	30 00		14 95	26 00		100 00		1000
Clear Creek	1500	309 75				6 00	6	5 00	24 00		31 60		119 45		1500
Columbia	25000	745 96		391 21	17 84	20 00	82	384 48	1750 71		1298 35	1479 45	330 00	3300 00	25000
East Columbia	2500	295 97				5 00	5	56 25	55 35		86 02		100 00		2500
Edna	1000	665 30				1 70	1	6 56		4 10	112 00		500 00		1000
Foxworth	500	210 34				2 50	2	38 70			55 00		150 00		500
Goss	2000	135 51				4 00	4	42 84		66 00	49 00		125 00		2000
Holly Springs	250	514 50				5 00	5	14 50	18 70		33 60		97 50		250
Hurricane Creek	2500					4 00	4	9 64			66 00		200 00		2500
Improve	9000					4 80	4		80 16						9000
Kokomo								163 60							
New Hope	3000					2 50	2	16 00			105 00		140 00		3000
Oloh	2000					3 00	3	16 00	71 25		44 37		175 00		2000
Pinebur	250					4 00	4	16 00	116 35		23 32		75 00		250
Sandy Hook	1200					60	6	5 00	27 00		90 00		250 00		1200
Shiloh						2 00	2	47 51			33 50		125 00		
White Bluff								15 00	42 00		25 00		100 00		
TOTALS	6000	57	17 84	440 71	84 40	52	78	98 239 00	27 839	55 2375	80 5745	45 2200	95 1497	6531	6000

Minutes The Marion County Baptist Association

ONE HUNDRED AND SIXTH ANNUAL SESSION

HELD WITH

CLEAR CREEK CHURCH

SEPTEMBER 11, 12 AND 13, 1925

OFFICERS:

MODERATOR.....Rev. WAYNE ALLISTON
TREASURER.....Mr. W. R. FORTENBERRY
CLERK.....MISS JENNIE WATTS

OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES

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DELEGATE TO STATE CONVENTION.....REV. L. T. AULTMAN
ALTERNATE.....Mr. T. C. GRIFFITH
Delegate to Southern Baptist Convention.....Miss JENNIE WATTS
ALTERNATE.....Rev. J. L. WATTS

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The Executive Committee of the Association shall be composed of the Associational Officers, elected for the ensuing year.

NEXT MEETING

PLACE.....Holly Springs Church
TIME.....Friday, Saturday and Including Second Sunday in September
PREACHER.....Rev. Wayne Alliston
ALTERNATE.....Rev. D. W. Nix

Proceedings---Friday Morning.

FIRST SESSION.

Clear Creek Baptist Church, Sept. 11, 1925.

The Marion County Baptist Association, composed of nineteen Missionary Baptist Churches in the county, held its one hundred and sixth meeting at Clear Creek Church.

The meeting was opened with the song, "Revive Us, Again," followed with prayer by Rev. J. L. Watts. In the absence of the Moderator, Rev. Wayne Alliston took charge of the meeting. The first business taken up was the election of officers, which resulted as follows:

Moderator	-----	Rev. Wayne Alliston
Clerk	-----	Miss Jennie Watts
Treasurer	-----	Mr. W. R. Fortenberry

The enrolling of messengers and calling for associational letters was next taken up, which is as follows:

Antioch—Mr. R. R. Williamson, Mr. Otis Taylor and Mr. Listow Forbes.

Bunker Hill—Rev. L. T. Aultman, Miss Vesta Carter and Mr. Willie Kobbins.

Cedar Grove—Mr. J. A. McDaniel, Mr. J. P. Breakfield and Prof. V. P. Fortenberry.

Clear Creek—Mr. R. L. Davis, Mr. D. F. Noble, Mrs. Sallie Davis and Mrs. Alma Holston.

Columbia—Rev. Wayne Alliston, Messrs. T. C. Griffith, W. L. Simmons, W. J. Stovall, V. W. Smith, M. L. Wells, Mesdames I. M. Fortenberry, I. Q. Speights, R. W. Rimmer, M. L. Wells and Rev. Rodney Branton.

East Columbia—Mr. and Mrs. R. F. Alexander, Mr. and Mrs. Fred McDaniel, Mrs. Albert Singley and Mrs. Maxie P. Hartfield.

Edna—Mr. J. I. Cooper and Mr. Warren Cook.

Goss—Mr. C. R. Breeden, Mr. Emmett Williamson and Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Robertson.

Holly Springs—Messrs. J. P. Prescott, W. L. Thornhill, N. A. Prescott, E. P. Beard and Homer Blair.

Hurricane Creek—Mr. W. R. Fortenberry, Mr. and Mrs. A. B. McKenzie, Mr. Arnie Fortenberry and Mr. Vernon McKenzie.

Improve—Rev. J. L. Watts and Rev. R. E. Bell.

New Hope—Mr. A. C. Mullins and Mr. E. J. Pittman.

Oloh—Mr. E. T. Collins and D. J. Kendricks.

Pine Bur—Mrs. R. R. Ritchie and Mrs. J. J. Puckett.

Sandy Hook—Mr. Marvin Pigott and Mr. P. E. Boyd.

A committee on Order of Business was appointed as follows: Brethren L. T. Aultman, N. A. Prescott and E. J. Pittman. This committee withdrew to make up their report for the proceedings of the day.

A motion was moved and carried that the reading of the letters be omitted; instead of this a committee be appointed to make a digest of the letters and report on this.

There were named on this committee Brethren J. L. Watts, Warren Cook and Emmett Williamson.

Visitors to the Association were recognized. Dr. J. L. Johnson, of the Woman's College, Hattiesburg and Mrs. R. L. Bunyard, of Jackson, were present and both brought greetings from their line of work to the Association. Dr. Johnson from the Woman's College and Mrs. Bunyard from the W. M. U. Work.

Mrs. R. R. Ritchie and Miss Vesta Carter were named to meet with the Clerk to arrange an hour for Mrs. Bunyard to speak to the women.

The devotional services for the morning was conducted by Rev. J. L. Watts. He called for scripture quotations from the audience in place of reading from the Bible. There were many responses of choice passages given. Song—"What a Friend We Have In Jesus."

Prayer—Dr. J. L. Johnson.

The time had come for the Associational Sermon to be preached. Rev. Rodney Branton, the minister elected, was present. He brought a great message, reading the Scripture from Luke 12—13:31. His theme was: "The True Method and Means Of Life." Song—"Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow." Prayer—Mr. V. W. Smith. Mr. W. R. Fortenberry, the treasurer, came forward and took the minute funds.

A motion was made and carried that a report on Stewardship and Tithing be added to the program. Dr. J. L. Johnson, Rev. Rodney Branton, Mr. V. W. Smith and Mr. E. H. Williamson compose the committee to make this report.

The morning session was adjourned with prayer by Mr. E. H. Williamson.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON.

Song—"Higher Grounds."

Prayer—Mr. E. P. Beard.

Committees named as follows:

Obituary—R. R. Williamson, R. L. Davis and Mrs. I. M. Fortenberry.

Resolutions—Prof. Victor Fortenberry, Mr. I. J. Cooper and Mr. W. J. Stovall.

Finance—W. R. Fortenberry, W. H. Powell and Fred McDaniel.

On Nominations—L. T. Aultman, A. C. Mullins, W. L. Thornhill and J. L. Watts.

The Committee on Order of Business made the following report: That the report on Stewardship and Tithing be taken up and also the report on Christian Education.

Dr. J. L. Johnson read the following report:

REPORT ON STEWARDSHIP AND TITHING.

The Standard Dictionary defines a Steward as one who administers the

property or affairs of another. The Bible has many allusions to stewards and how they are held to strict accounting. One of our Savior's parables was built around the story of a steward.

We are taught in God's Word that He is the Creator and, therefore, the owner of everything in this world. This does not refer to property and money alone. It takes in our time, talents, ability and personality. We are stewards then for at least three reasons: First, because God is God and owns everything; Second, because we have voluntarily surrendered ourselves and our wills to Him; Third, because through Jesus Christ our elder brother, we have become the adopted children of God.

Tithing is paying one-tenth of our income to God. It is a custom almost as old as the world itself and has been practiced in all times. Tithing is a command like baptism. The Bible says that the man who does not pay the tithe robs God. According to statistics only five per cent of our Baptist people tithe. Therefore, about nineteen out of every twenty Baptists are robbers. Is it any wonder that our work is suffering? The adoption of the principle of Stewardship and the commandment of tithing would solve every financial problem we have and there would be no more drives and campaigns.

By the Committee,

J. L. JOHNSON,
V. W. SMITH,
J. R. BRANTON,
E. U. WILLIAMSON.

A motion to adopt report as read.

Dr. Johnson spoke to the report. He made an interesting and impressive talk on tithing, then called for expressions from the audience. Many responded, stating that they were tithers and got great joy out of it. A rising vote was taken for all who would begin to give God a tenth. There were thirty who stood. The report was adopted.

Song—"How Firm A Foundation."

The report on Christian Education was read by Rev. L. T. Aultamn.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION.

The most fundamental essential to the progress and development of any nation is Christian education. Men and women who are educated apart from Christianity are failures. The institutions and nations that are led by such are destined to decay and doom. To this fact does the history of the world bear testimony.

There is at this time more emphasis being put on Christian Education than ever before. There has never been a greater need of Christian Education than now. It was to this needy age to which the Baptist leaders of years ago looked with great effect, and led the Baptist people of the state to establish colleges fostered and endowed by Baptist people. Hence, we have today Mississippi College at Clinton, for young men. Mississippi

College is an A-1 College, a member of the Southern Association of Colleges, with an endowment of \$650,000, offering to every young man an education of the highest standard. Also, we have Clark College at Newton, a co-educational junior college, which offers to our young men and young women a two years' college course. Blue Mountain College, at Blue Mountain; and Woman's College, at Hattiesburg, are A-1 colleges with outstretched arms offering to every girl and young woman of our state a Christian Education.

To these four Baptist Schools of the state we would invite the attention of the people of our denomination, and insist that every boy and girl seize the opportunity and be blessed with an unsurpassed education offered by these schools; and thus fulfill the teaching of the New Testament concerning education, as is shown in I Tim. 2:15, and elsewhere.

A motion was made to adopt report. Bro. Aultman gave his time to Dr. Johnson to speak to the report.

Mrs. R. L. Bunyard brought a short message to the women.

The Association was dismissed with prayer until 10 o'clock Saturday morning, by Mr. C. Breeden.

SATURDAY MORNING—SECOND DAY.

Songs—"Tis So Sweet To Trust In Jesus." "Higher Grounds."

The devotional was conducted by Rev. D. W. Nix. He read from Acts, giving an account of the coming of the Holy Spirit.

The Moderator not being present, Rev. D. W. Nix was elected moderator, pro tem.

The minutes of the preceeding day were read and corrected. Some messengers who did not come Friday were enrolled.

The Committee on Order of Business reported that the day would be devoted largely to the reading and the discussion of Mission Reports.

The State Mission Report was read by Mr. W. L. Simmons.

ASSOCIATION REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS.

After eighty years of organized endeavor on the part of the Home Mission Board, we herewith submit, for your consideration a brief summary of some of the activities of the Home Missionary work.

Through many changes in social customs, changes evidenced by new religious propaganda, changes, agitating new religious dogmas, changes that would amalgamate denominational doctrine and church government; the Home Mission Board presents an unbroken history of fidelity to the New Testament plan, and has maintained a steady, unvarying purpose for the salvation of the lost in accord with that plan, and the safe indoctrination of the saved looking to the upbuilding of the Kingdom of our Southland.

Home Missions has been for the Southern Baptist the one great constructive, co-operative and unifying agency, a stimulating factor for religious organization and progress.

The Board in its report at the Southern Baptist Convention last May, presented a significant comparison as follows:

Churches Organized	Baptisms	Missionaries	Money Raised
1845-1903 3,649	82,742	10,586	3,520,000
1903-1924 4,524	642,492	27,468	13,731,965

For the last twenty-five years the advance in Home Missions has been very remarkable, and always continuous and healthy. It reached its highest point of expansion, as the results of special efforts in 1920. Since that time, due to various causes, the Board has been compelled to make retrenchments in many phases of the work. However regrettable this fact may be, yet it is not altogether discouraging, for we must not forget the law of common averages, "the calm after the storm."

The greatest need of the Board at this time, is not so much in workers and equipment; however great the need of these, but in the deep consecration of the workers, with a working knowledge of God's Word plus a love for its teachings to meet with the isms of modern times.

Respectfully submitted,

W. L. SIMMONS.

Motion to adopt report. Mr. Simmons spoke to the report.

The report of Foreign Missions was read by Rev. D. W. Nix, (Rev. L. T. Aultman in the chair.

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Regardless of the fact that we fell short on our Seventy-five Million Campaign, the Lord has blessed us wonderfully. The fact that our missionaries baptized 12,134 people into the membership of our churches on our foreign mission fields is an achievement which should set our hearts aglow with joy.

A great expansion has taken place within the last few years, especially in the outlying districts of Africa. We look back with rejoicing and thanksgiving to God for what He has done for us in this land.

Eighteen new churches have been organized north of State of Bahia, Brazil, during the year. Old ones have also developed along every line of activity. One church in Brazil built a new home, outgrew it and enlarged it all in the same year.

Two years a Chilean home mission board was organized to carry the Gospel to the frontier. The board is composed of five missionaries and five Chileans. During the past year they have supported three missionaries who are doing great work in regions heard.

Many say that the anti-Christian movement has come all too late in China. The Christian forces are too strong for such a movement to make much progress. Evidently it is true that Christians thrive, through faith, on persecution. It is also very encouraging to note that many of the better class of Chinese do not sympathize with this movement. Well written articles by Chinese who are educated in mission schools are appearing in newspapers in highest praise of missionaries and their work. Our China

publication society is one phase of our foreign mission enterprise. The society is publishing many text books, books for study courses in B. Y. P. U. work. New Testaments and several magazines, all of which contribute a large value to the work.

This (year 1924) has been the best year since the World War in the mission work in Italia. The largest number of baptisms ever reported since our mission began there. Two hundred and fourteen new members baptized in 1925 makes us hopeful for the future. Last year Italia had twice as many baptisms per member as either Virginia or Georgia.

Established April 11, 1925, with 105 students and a teaching force of 12, the Willingham Memorial School for boys at Fukoha, Japan, has grown until we have today a school with three departments—middle school, college and theological seminary, with a total enrollment of 635 students and more than fifty teachers.

The work in Jerusalem is making great strides regardless of the strong energetic opposition of the Jews.

It makes us sad to turn from this picture of triumphs to mention the embarrassment of our Foreign Mission Board, because of the indebtedness and lack of funds to carry on the great work. The Board reports a debt of \$1,250,000, regardless of the fact that the Board has been cutting its appropriations severely for the last three years.

What is the remedy for the present situation? Let every church put on the 1925-26 program and let every Southern Baptist pay the tithe.

Respectfully submitted,

D. W. NIX.

Motion to adopt report. The report was spoken to by Rev. Nix and Mr. Breeden.

At this hour Rev. E. E. Ballard, representative of the State Mission Board, brought a great message on Missions.

Both reports were adopted.

Rev. E. E. Ballard announced about the Baptist Record and stated that he would take subscriptions to the same.

Song—"I'll Go Where You Want Me to Go."

This hour was given over to a consecration service. Talks were made by Rev. L. T. Aultman, Mrs. I. M. Fortenberry, Rev. J. L. Watts and others. Many reconsecrated themselves to the Lord's service.

Dedication prayer by Bro. W. L. Simmons.

Rev. V. C. Walker was appointed to conduct the devotional period for the afternoon services.

Dismissed with prayer for the noon hour by Rev. J. L. Watts.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON.

Song—"He Is So Precious To Me."

Devotional—Rev. V. C. Walker. Bro. Walker read from 2nd Tim. 2—1—15, and spoke on the 15th verse.

Prayer—Bro. Walker.

The report on Our Orphanage was sent in by Mr. O. G. May and read by Prof. V. P. Fortenberry.

REPORT ON ORPHANAGE.

We have had in the Orphanage during the year an average of 172 children. We have now in the home 177. The health of the children has been generally good. We have had two epidemics, one of "flu" and one of mumps. We have had five operations for appendicitis and 29 for tonsillitis. The health of the children is excellent now and has been during the spring and summer.

We have eight months school during the year and most of our children made their grades. We have a good Sunday School and good Intermediate Junior B. Y. P. U. Nineteen of our children were baptized into the fellowship of Davis Memorial Church during the revival.

We have prospects for a very good crop.

The finances of the Orphanage is running short. Our surplus fund that we have been drawing on for two years is about out and we will have to look to our churches and Sunday Schools for our living. We are leaving it to the Associations to make plans to take care of our orphan children.

Your Committee would recommend that each church and Sunday School make a donation and send to the Orphanage at the earliest opportunity.

Respectfully submitted,

O. G. MAY.

Motion to adopt report. The report was spoken to by Mrs. I. M. Fortenberry and Rev. Nix

The report on Baptist Hospital was read by Mr. F. L. Poland.

REPORT ON BAPTIST HOSPITAL.

Our Mississippi Baptist Hospital, in which all loyal Baptists should feel a personal interest, in closing the fifteenth year of its ministry to suffering humanity, is very proud of its record.

Hundreds have benefitted by the services rendered but the call has been greater than the present institution can meet. There will have to be additions, such as Clinical Laboratory, Physio-Therapy Department, Pharmacy, etc., before the institution is up to the scientific standard.

The \$50,000 Nurses' Home is nearing completion, on which there stands an indebtedness of \$27,000, while it will take \$7,000 to furnish the building. There are the chapel, living room, matron's office, three dens, kitchenette, and forty three private rooms. The approximate cost of furnishing a nurses' room, with its twin beds, two mattresses, two pillows, two chairs, one dresser, one bedside table, one reading lamp, two small rugs, two blankets, eight sheets, two pillow cases, three scarfs, two shades and curtains.

Also, it will cost about \$500 to fit out the living room as it should be. After the weary hours of nursing it is very necessary that these nurses should have comfortable quarters.

When we stop to think that at any minute, we or some of our loved ones are liable to need the services of this grand institution, it seems that the Baptists of Mississippi should rally to the assistance of this Home Mission work, and help finish the job. There is no doubt about the need of this hospital, it is only getting back of it financially.

Respectfully submitted,

F. L. POLAND.

Motion to adopt report. The report was spoken to by Mr. Poland, Rev. Aultman and Rev. Ballard. Both reports were adopted at once.

The report on Nominations was made as follows:

ON NOMINATIONS.

We, your committee on Nominations, beg to submit the following report:

We recommend that our next meeting be held with Holly Springs Church. Time: Thursday and Friday before Second Sunday in September, 1926. Preacher, Bro. Wayne Alliston; alternate, Rev. D. W. Nix.

We recommend that we send Miss Jennie Watts as a delegate to the Southern Baptist Convention, with all expenses paid; alternate, J. L. Watts, Jr. As a delegate to the State Baptist Convention, we recommend that we send Rev. L. T. Aultman; alternate, T. C. Griffith.

Respectfully submitted,

A. C. MULLINS,

L. T. AULTMAN,

W. L. THORNHILL,

J. L. WATTS, Jr.

This report was adopted with the amendment as to the time, that to remain the same as it is now, Friday and Saturday, and including the 2nd Sunday in September.

The Finance Committee made their report as follows, which was accepted:

We, your Committee on Finances, beg to make the following report: These churches have sent in the amounts opposite their names on the minute fund:

Columbia	\$20.00
Clerr Creek	6.00
East Columbia	5.00
Bunker Hill	5.00
Holly Springs	5.00
Goss	4.00
Edna	1.70
Pinebur	3.00
Improve	4.86
New Hope	2.50
Hurricane Creek	4.41
Antioch	2.50
Cedar Grove	2.50
Sandy Hook	4.00
Shiloh	60
Foxworth	2.50
Oloh	3.00

TOTAL..... \$75.57

Sandy Hook—Missions, \$21.50

Bro. Walker turned back \$5.00 to the treasury, from the expense on trip to Convention.

Respectfully submitted,
W. R. FORTENBERRY,
FRED McDANIEL,
W. H. POWELL.

Announcements were made that on Sunday Dr. R. B. Gunter would be present. This will be a full day and all are urged to come back.

Song—"Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing."

Prayer—Rev. L. T. Aultman.

SUNDAY MORNING—THIRD DAY.

Song—"Draw Me Nearer." Prayer—Mr. P. E. Boyd. Song—"In The Sweet By and By."

The devotional was conducted by Bro. Walker. He read from John 3:1-22. Prayer by Bro. Walker. Special prayer for the work of the day.

Mr. Breeden spoke on "How to Interest the Adults in the Sunday School."

Report on Sunday School Work by Prof. S. B. Hathorn.

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOL DEPARTMENT OF MARION COUNTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION.

The Sunday School Department of the Southern Baptist Convention Board is charged with the organization of Sunday Schools, the grading of schools, installing six point record systems, organizing workers' councils and other similar work for the individual churches.

Teacher Training work in local churches, city training schools, and county or associational training schools are conducted for the training of teachers throughout the state.

At this time the State Mission Board and the Sunday School Board are jointly emphasizing work in the country churches by putting on a vigorous "Rural Campaign." The crying need of all ages has been trained leadership, and attempt is being made to meet this need with these rural campaigns during the summer months. In addition to the summer workers, there are two full time rural workers.

Last year nearly 5000 awards were given in our state to people who took one or more books in the training course. The slogan of the Southern Baptists this year is "Fifty Thousand Diplomas." Mississippi's quota is 5000. Will we get them?

An effort is being made to make the State Convention and Assembly greater factors in developing denominational life each year. The Assembly is being held at Gulf Coast Military Academy each year. The Sunday School and B. Y. P. U. Convention will be held in McComb City in March of next year.

A new phase of the Department is the "Daily Vacation Bible School." A number of these schools were held last year and it is hoped that the number may be doubled during the present Convention year. Literature on these Vacation Bible Schools can be had in abundance from the Sunday School Board, and it is urged that Sunday School Superintendents, pastors, and other church workers investigate the opportunities for service offered in such schools.

The above is a sort of outline of the plans and purposes of our Convention Boards. The Question is: What have we done to meet them and what do we propose further to do?

WHAT WE HAVE DONE.

1. Organized two new Sunday Schools in our Association. Last year there were three churches in the association without Sunday Schools, now there is only one.

2. Three Sunday School Normals have been held this year, one at Kokomo, one at Improve, and one at Columbia, with awards of approximately 175. This is three times our prorata of the state's quota of 5000. New Hope Church has had two training classes going every Sunday for four months. They will soon be ready for awards. We find that churches which have had teacher training are wanting more.

3. Bunker Hill and Foxworth have building programs on foot looking toward providing facilities for having graded Sunday Schools. Other Sunday Schools have bought pianos and other equipment.

4. The indications are that this year leads all others in the number who have come to Christ. It is estimated by our church and Sunday School leaders that full 85 per cent of these come from Sunday Schools. We believe that the percentage is even higher in our association.

5. Officers and teachers are coming more and more to realize the importance of their work and to feel called of God just as the pastor of the church. Pastors are more interested and are giving of their leadership and influence. The people and pupils as a whole are being brought to a deeper consecration and loyalty to the Lord and Master.

6. As a result of some work among them by white folks, the negroes are taking a great interest in Sunday Schools.

WHAT WE SHOULD DO.

1. We should have graded Sunday Schools, working toward an A-1 Standard.

2. More Teacher Training. The Graded Sunday Schools and A-1 Standards will come, if we have these.

3. Greater Evangelism. The most important work of the Sunday School is that of leading the lost to a saving knowledge of the Lord, Jesus.

4. Larger attendance by grown people. The Sunday School is no longer a place simply for children. Particularly do we need to urge the fathers into the service.

5. Sunday School work among the negroes. They are our wards and we must not fail them.

6. Vacation Bible Schools.

7. Larger number from every church in Association at State B. Y. P. U. and Sunday School Convention, at McComb in March of next year, and Assembly at Gulfport. They are both at our door. No church can shirk the responsibility of having representation, for inspiration, vision and knowledge.

Respectfully submitted,

S. B. HATHORN.

A motion was made to adopt report as read. The discussion of the report was deferred until the afternoon in order to give the time to Dr. J. R. Carter and Dr. R. B. Gunter.

Dr. J. R. Carter, Superintendent of the Baptist Orphanage, spoke on the orphanage. He urged the people to continue their support of this institution. He mentioned especially that every farmer could help by sending syrup to them and other farm products.

Song—"Revive Us Again."

Dr. R. B. Gunter brought a great message on the Denominational program. He read for his Scripture Mar. 8:1-9.

The Association voted to try to raise their apportionment. The County Committee to have charge of the work was elected as follows:

Organizer—Rev. Wayne Alliston.

Publicity—Dr. L. R. Bush.

Woman's Work—Mrs. I. M. Fortenberry.

Dr. J. R. Carter announced about the Orphanage Gem and asked Rev. V. C. Walker to take subscriptions to same.

The meeting was adjourned for lunch with prayer by Rev. J. I. Lowe.

SUNDAY AFTERNOON.

Song—"Nothing But The Blood Of Jesus."

Prayer—Mr. T. C. Griffith. Song—"Beautiful Isle of Somewhere."

The report on Woman's Work was called for and read by Mrs. I. M. Fortenberry.

REPORT ON WOMAN'S WORK.

Ever since the organization of our W. M. U. in 1888, the women of our Southland have been doing what they could to enlarge Christ's Kingdom on earth.

At the meeting of our last Southern Baptist W. M. U. Convention, Christ's great command, "Go ye into all the world and ye shall be my witnesses," was chosen for our watchword.

In order to carry out this command, a three-fold method was adopted. First, the unified program. Every organization is urged to accept the program as given out by our State Board to the individual church and to see that all funds collected by the W. M. U. organization by the church treasurer. Second, the W. M. U. at our State meeting in April adopted the tithe as the minimum offering of each individual.

Each society is urged to get as many of its members enlisted in tithing as possible.

Third, that our State workers are making every effort to organize societies in our rural churches. The Sunday School Board has promised to give \$600.00 for this purpose, provided we raise an equal amount. Let me here ask that each society and individual do their part in raising this amount.

In Marion County Association, there are eleven active societies with two new organizations; seven active Sunbeam Bands and two new bands just organized. These have collected the past year, for all purposes, not including pastors' salaries, \$700.00.

We especially commend the Goss ladies who are quilting to assist in paying for their nice new church and those of Sandy Hook who are putting forth every effort to aid in building them a house of worship.

We all get discouraged at times but we only have to look at our society report to see how much more is being done by our women than if we were not organized. Take the Edna W. M. S. for example. It is composed of only a few members, yet they help in all our denominational enterprises.

In carrying out our plans, and in training the young whom God has intrusted to our care, we will need a strong hand to guide us. Therefore,

MARION COUNTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

let me urge each one to talk to God often, also I ask the prayer of all the Christian people here.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. J. W. KERVIN.

Motion to adopt report. Discussion by Mrs. Fortenberry. The report was adopted.

At this time the Sunday School report was spoken to by Prof. S. B. Hathorn and Mr. T. C. Griffith. The report was adopted.

The report on resolutions was read and adopted.

RESOLUTIONS REPORT.

We, your committee on Resolutions, beg to submit the following:

Resolved that the Marion County Baptist Association do hereby thank the good people of Clear Creek Church for their hospitality and for every effort they have made to make the Association a success. The Association feels greatly indebted to the ladies for the bountiful dinners they have served.

The Association feels especially in debt to Dr. J. L. Johnson for his message on Stewardship and Tithing. The Association also feels greatly in debt to brethren E. E. Ballard and Dr. R. B. Gunter, who brought messages on devotional work.

Respectfully submitted,

V. P. FORTENBERRY,

W. J. STOVALL,

J. I. COOPER.

COMMITTEE.

OBITUARY COMMITTEE REPORT.

It grieves our hearts to the utmost to note the fact that the following friends and relatives who have been laid out yonder to rest beneath the sod. But when we come to think this is all God's plan and we must submit to His will. We pray God's blessings on the grief stricken and that He may use us all in a greater way for the upbuilding of His Kingdom.

The obituary report was read and adopted.

OUR DEAD.

ANTIOCH—Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Turnage, Mrs. N. J. Dowdy, Mrs. Fannie Holmes and Mrs. K. L. Rowley.

BUNKER HILL—Mrs. Fanny Farmer and Mrs. Tena Bass.

CEDAR GROVE—Mrs. Mattie Pittman.

COLUMBIA—Mrs. Emma Freeman, Mr. Henry Jennings, Mrs. Sampson Pope, Mrs. W. L. Simmons, Mrs. Mary Davidson, Mr. S. H. Dale.

CLEAR CREEK—Mr. Sedgie Davis.

FOXWORTH—Mrs. M. L. Graham, Mr. W. H. Graham, Miss Kate Burt, Mr. Mack Smith and Mrs. B. J. Poland.

NEW HOPE—Mr. H. B. Pounds, Mr. Hillary Rowell.
 HURRICAN CREEK—Mr. Isaac Jenkins, Mrs. Margaret Thomas.
 GOSS—Mr. Horace Buckley, Mrs. W. S. Robertson, Mrs. Jessie L. Broom,
 and Mrs. Lula Buckley.
 IMPROVE—Mrs. Elizabeth Hudson, Mrs. Nancy Spears.
 HOLLY SPRINGS—Mrs. E. P. Beard.
 SHILOH—Mrs. Nellie Forbes, Mrs. Mary Lowe and Mrs. Nancy Tippet.
 PINEBUR—Mrs. Anna Jane Davis.

Respectfully submitted,
 W. H. HUNT,
 MRS. I. M. FORTENBERRY,
 R. L. DAVIS.

The climax of the Association came in a great sermon by Rev. V. C. Walker. He exhorted everyone to go back to their work with a new determination to do more in the work, and make the coming year the greatest we have yet had.

Song—"Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing."

There being nothing further the Association closed a very successful session, and was adjourned with prayer by Bro. Nix, to meet at Holly Springs Church Friday before the Second Sunday in September, 1925.

D. W. NIX, Moderator, Pro Tem.

MISS JENNIE WATTS, Clerk.

COUNTY W. M. U. MEETING.

Because of lack of space, our W. M. U. minutes must be curtailed. Met with Improve Church. Opened August 20th, 1925, with song: "Revive Us Again." All repeated watchword, Mark 16:15; Acts 1:8. Devotional, John 4; Rev. Wade Smith.

Greetings from Improve by Miss Neva Morris. Response, Miss Jennie Watts, of Columbia. Prayer by Miss Ida Branton, for more faithful stewards.

Report and suggestions from Mrs. Parker. County cooperation in work as laid out by our state and district W. M. U.

Statistical Report—Visited, 15; Organized, 8; money to Natchez, \$3.70; postage, \$4.00.

Our Association and Rural Churches, Mrs. Fortenberry.

Song—"O Zion Haste." Committees appointed.

Message on Giving by Mrs. I. A. Shelby. Prayer and special song by Rev. Cooper. Consecration service led by Miss Jennie Watts

AFTERNOON—Devotional. Reports from churches.

Summary—Societies reporting, 8; societies organized, 11; number of women enlisted, about 200; given for all causes, \$927.28.

Special song, by Columbia Quartette. Prayer by Mrs. Hitt from Improve. Reports from County Leaders. Much need of prayer. Song.

Message—1925 Program, by Rev. Wayne Alliston.

Young People's Day. Dismissed until Friday, 10 A. M.

AUGUST 21, 10:00 A. M.

Devotional—Miss Ida Branton.

Greeting from Improve Sunbeams.

Response, East Columbia Sunbeams.

Announcements for the day.

Talk by Mrs. I. L. Tolar. Songs, talks, etc., from the young people from all over the county.

Address—By Mrs. Tolar.

Dismissed with prayer by Rev. Luther Watts, after readings of the different reports.

Sorry to have to leave out so much of our report but sufficient to say our leaders were pleased with the program made in the past twelve months. Especially is this true with reference to the increased interest by our pastors. The pastor and his people at Improve are to be commended for their splendid hospitality toward us.

SUNDAY SCHOOL TABLE.

CHURCHES	SUPERINTENDENTS	SECRETARIES	Officers & Teachers	No. Pupils enrolled	Is school graded?	Is it A-1 School	Teachers & officers	Baptisms from S S	Contributions
Antioch	R. R. Williamson, Foxworth, R.	Crystelle Forbes, Foxworth, R.	8	44	yes				33 00
Bunker Hill	T. D. Cox, Columbia, R 3	Mary Robbins, Columbia, R.	14	142	yes		5	24	40 00
Cedar Grove	V. P. Fortenberry, Columbia R 1	Geo. Rankin, Columbia, R.	5	54	no		1	11	30 00
Clear Creek	W. H. Powell, Baxterville, R.	Eunice Davis, Baxterville, R.	6	35					5 00
Columbia	T. C. Griffith, Columbia	R. R. Griffith, Columbia	68	534	yes	yes	68	39	384 43
East Columbia	R. F. Alexander, Columbia, R 2	A. D. Tolar, Columbia, R 2	9	97	yes		2	6	56 05
Edna	Guy Loftin, Columbia,	W. B. Rankin, Hub, R.	5	48					6 56
Foxworth	J. A. Holmes, Foxworth	W. W. Lovelace, Foxworth,	10	88	no		2	5	27 99
Goss	E. V. Williamson, Goss	C. W. Willoughby, Goss	8	138	no		1	12	6 75
Holly Springs	F. C. Lowe, Morgantown	Ellen Lowe, Morgantown	5	50					
Hurricane Creek	R. S. Lott, Sandy Hook, R.	Oneal McKenzie, Sandy Hook	7	59	no			5	
Improve	Vertis Powell, Columbia, R 3		6	60	no		3		
Kokomo									
New Hope	A. C. Mullins, Foxworth, R.	Bertie Stringer, Foxworth R.	6	129	no				
Oloh	L. J. Stringer, Sumrall, R	Vada Lott, Sumrall, R.	6	55				7	
Pinebur	R. R. Ritchie, Pinebur	Christine Puckett, Pinebur	5	24					33 00
Sandy Hook	D. W. Nix, Sandy Hook	M. E. Pigott, Sandy Hook	8	87			1	3	10 00
Shiloh	H. T. Pittman, Foxworth, R.	Mrs. Elvie Forbes, Foxworth	5	40				3	
White Bluff									
TOTALS			180	1684			83	119	633 03